Rush Medical College

Class of 2000

The Pulse

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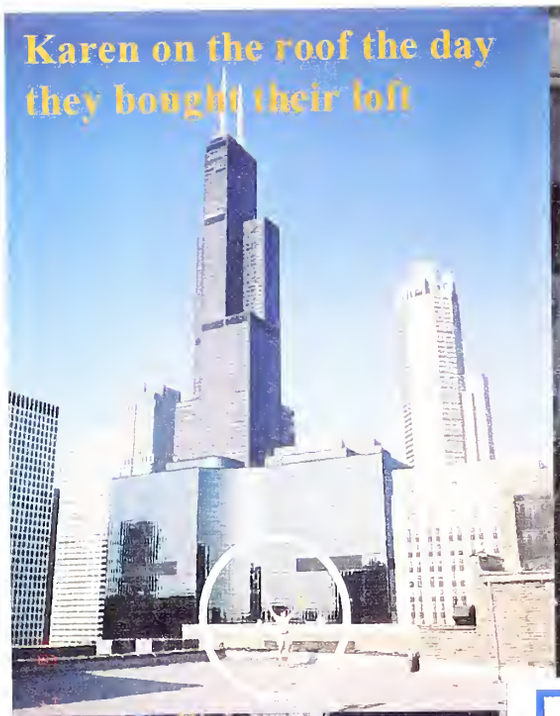
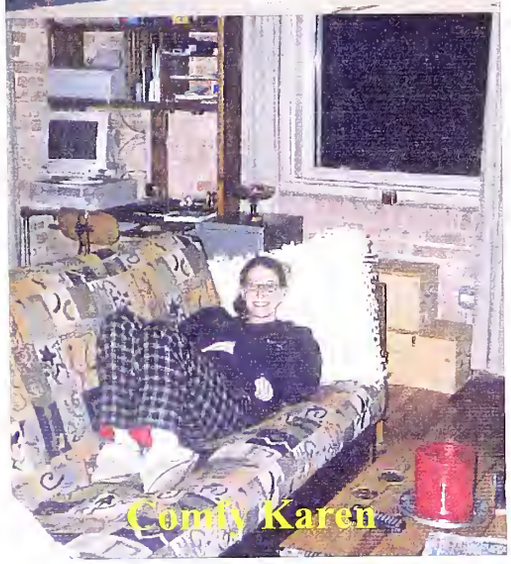
Rather than mourn the absence of the flame,
let us celebrate how brightly it burned.

In memory of our classmate and friend, Karen Eve Goldman …

We dedicate this yearbook to Karen as a celebration of her accomplishments and contributions to Rush. She touched all of our lives as a leader, as a role model, and as a friend. Karen exemplified the spirit and nature of our class – intelligence, dedication, compassion, camaraderie, and loyalty. We have all been instrumental in making a difference in a single patient's life, in our peers, in the medical college, and in ourselves to become physicians. Years from now when we look back on these pages they will bring back painful memories that Karen's potential was cut short, but they will also conjure up fond memories of the times we have shared and the accomplishments of each of us. The future lies ahead of the rest of us. We will not take this for granted. We will go forward, we will succeed, and we will make a difference in the world. We will look back and feel confident that we will have made Karen proud.

The Graduating Class of 2000 Rush Medical College





These pages celebrate the joy of Karen's life. We all miss her.
Jon

Curriculum Vitae

Karen Eve Goldman

Medical Education:
Rush Medical College, Chicago, IL
September 1996 - June 2000
M.D. expected June 2000

Undergraduate Education:
University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, Urbana, IL
September 1988 - June 1992
B.A. 1992 (English Literature)
University Scholar, Magna Cum Laude

DePaul University, Chicago, IL
September 1993 - June 1996
Post-Baccalaureate (Pre-Medical Sciences)

Honors and Awards:

Rush Medical College
- Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society (1999, elected junior year)
- Henry M. Lyman Memorial Prize for outstanding junior medical student (1999)
- Clinical Honors (1998-1999): General Surgery, Internal Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Family Medicine
- Pre-Clinical Honors (1996-1998): Pathology, Pharmacology, Microbiology, Psychopathology
- Jewish Vocational Services Scholarship (1997-1998)
- Dean's Office Student Summer Research Fellowship (1997)

University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
- B.A. University Scholar / Magna Cum Laude (1992)
- B.A. Graduation with Distinction in Honors English (1992)
- Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society
- Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society
- Edmund J. James Scholar

Activities/Organizations:

Alpha Omega Alpha Executive Committee
Rush Medical College (1999-present)
- Provide educational speakers for Rush medical students and faculty throughout the academic year and select the members of Alpha Omega Alpha elected during their senior year of medical school

Committee On Student Evaluation and Promotion, Elected Member
Rush Medical College (1998-present)
- Acting member of committee responsible for deciding on the promotion of medical students undergoing academic difficulties

Rush Students for International Health and Medicine, Founder and Past President
Rush Medical College (1996-present)
- Established organization for students interested in international health issues and facilitated summer abroad experiences via networking and fundraising
- Compiled database of international health opportunities for people in medical careers
- Currently designing international elective rotations for fourth year medical students

American Medical Women's Association, Member and Past Co-President
Rush Medical College (1996-present)
- Initiated domestic violence awareness week, organized holiday toiletry drive for women's shelter, developed big sister program, attended national meeting

Community Health Clinic, Volunteer
Rush Medical College (1996-present)
- Provide preventive and primary medical services to community members without access to other health care in a non-profit, voluntary health clinic

Health Educator
Rush Medical College (1996-1998)
- Taught high school students in underprivileged area about health issues including safety, nutrition, sexuality, and exercise

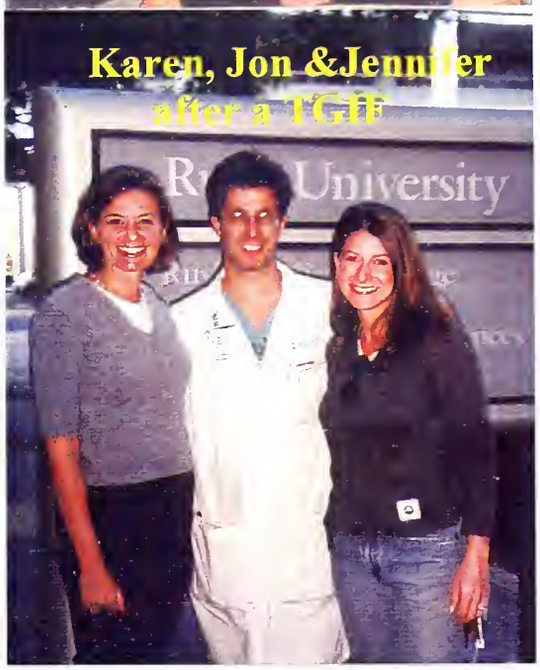
Rush Cooperative Note Taking Service, Scheduler
Rush Medical College (1996-1997)
- Formulated quarterly schedules for students to perform note taking during lectures

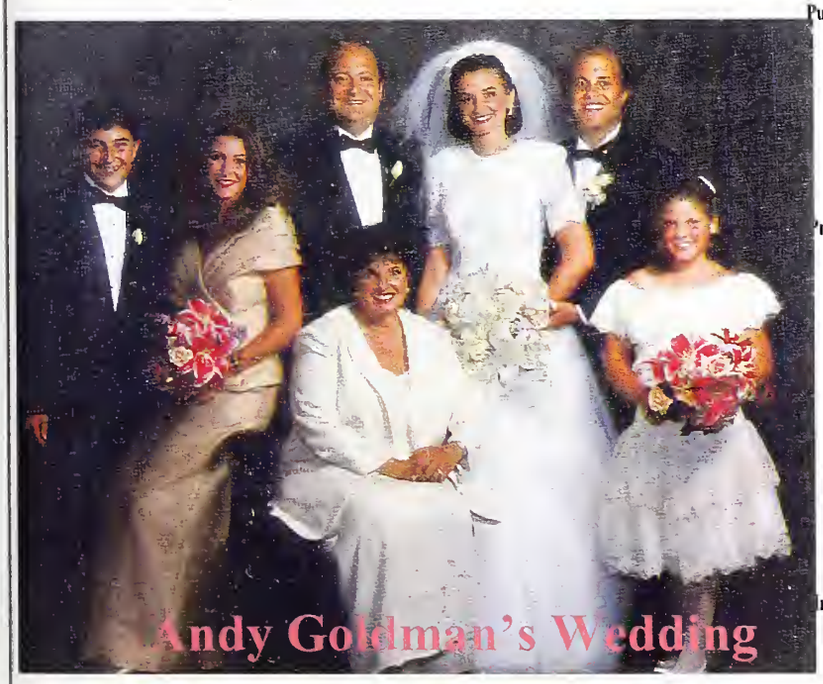
Research Experience:

Treatment of Peyronie's Disease with Intralesional Verapamil Injection (1999-present)
Retrospective study of 200 cases of Peyronie's disease treated with intralesional verapamil injections investigating long-term treatment outcomes and risk factors for beneficial treatment (work in progress).
Advisor: Laurence L. Levine, M.D., Assistant Director of Urologic Education, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center.

Peritoneal Mesothelioma Following Orthotopic Heart Transplant (1998-present)
Case report of a patient diagnosed with peritoneal mesothelioma two years after receiving an orthotopic heart transplant (work in progress).
Advisor: Alexander Doolas, M.D., Associate Chairman, Department of General Surgery, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center.

Investigative Sophomore Organic Laboratory Involving Individual Research Projects (1995)
Open ended laboratory investigation designed to explore the approach to problem solving in tl context of individual research projects in the organic chemistry laboratory.
Advisor: Gregory B. Kharas, Professor of Organic Chemistry, De Paul University.





Publications:

Chaviano AH, **Goldman KE**, Matkov TG, Levine LA. Classical Exstrophy of the Bladder in a Conceived by Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection. Submitted for publication June 1999.

Myers JA, **Goldman KE**, Millikan KW. DCIS in an Eighteen Year Old Woman. Submitted f publication June 1999.

resentations:

- **Classical Exstroph**
  North Central Secti
- **Vesicoureteral Refl**
  Urology Morning C
- **Neuroblastoma in a**
  Tumor Board, Rusl
- **Peritoneal Mesothe**
  Tumor Board, Rusl
- **The RSIHM Expe**
  Preventive Medicin
  Chicago, IL, 1997

We'll always remember Karen's contagious laugh, her ability to motivate and inspire, her radiating happiness and her intense passion for life.

nterests: Reading literature, Writing poetry, Playing flute, Running, Bicycling, Traveling, Cookir

The Rush Medical College seal was designed by several faculty members and adopted in 1878. On the face of the seal, two women and a young boy stand near the altar of Aesculapius, the Greek God of healing. The two women are Aesculapuis' daughters, Hygeia on the left and Panacea on the right. In Greek mythology, these two goddesses often assisted their father with rites of healing. The boy is Hygeia's son, Telesphorus, who is traditionally known as the Greek god of convalescence. Hygeia and Panacea are leading Telesphorus to the fire of healing knowledge, symbolizing the hope that future generations will advance medical knowledge and healing. The inscription beneath the altar is the year in Roman numerals in which Rush was founded, 1837. The Latin abbreviation around the seal (Collegii Medicinae Rushiensis Sigillum) stands for the "Seal of Rush Medical College - Chicago".

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RUSH

LEO M. HENIKOFF, M.D.
PRESIDENT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

May, 2000

To the Class of 2000:

In 1969 when Rush Medical College was reactivated and merged with Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital, those on the planning and implementation team used to refer to what was happening as "an old idea that became new again." In essence what we had in mind was the replication of the old idea that the best education of medical professionals takes place in an environment where patient care is the primary end, not a by-product. The historical precedent in our own case, of course, was the approximation of this ideal in the establishment of Presbyterian Hospital in 1883 by Rush Medical College faculty for the formation of future physicians in a patient care setting. It was then, and it is today, a philosophical approach to medical education that has made your own educational experience, if not unique, quite distinctive. As you pursue your careers in medicine, we are confident that your appreciation of this patient-oriented experience will deepen over the years.

"The Pulse" yearbook is also an old tradition, and I am delighted that you are continuing it. It will undoubtedly be your companion over your professional lives; in the early years as a ready reference on your classmates, in later ones as a means of recreating the spirit and atmosphere in which your success had its origins. Guard it well.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Leo M. Henikoff MD

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LARRY J. GOODMAN, M.D.
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, MEDICAL AFFAIRS
ACTING DEAN, RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE

To the Class of 2000:

You have now completed the first phase of your medical education, and have done so during a time of incredible change for our profession. The science of medicine is evolving at an unprecedented rate. Lasers are used to treat heart and ophthalmic disease, mammals are being cloned, the human genome project is nearing completion, and transplants are becoming commonplace. The array of diagnostic and therapeutic choices available to you, as a physician, is truly staggering.

However, several other changes are occurring which also impact on the care you will provide. Efforts to control the cost of medical care have resulted in a system that requires dramatically increased paperwork and that has less certainty that a third party payer will cover the cost of a test or treatment ordered by a physician. Worse, 44 million Americans are without any kind of health insurance.

Patients have far more information available to them and, to a much greater degree, expect to be a partner with you in the management of their health. In addition, they are exploring complimentary and alternative health options to the point that, in some studies, 50 percent of patient visits are in these areas.

I believe you are well prepared to enter this new world of medicine and I know that, despite the challenges you will face, you will love it. We, your faculty, are proud to have been a part of your education and life these last few years and are very proud of you as a Rush graduate.

Good luck!

Sincerely,

Larry Goodman

RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE CLASS OF 2000 FACULTY AWARDS

Brainard Award — *Alexander Templeton, MD*
The Class of 2000 presents this award to the member of the faculty who has demonstrated outstanding ability and dedicated service in the basic and behavioral sciences.

Phoenix Award — *Keith Millikan, MD*
The Class of 2000 presents this award to the instructor, who has exhibited excellence in medical education and the professional and personal qualities that they would like to obtain as physicians,

Nathan Smith Award — *James Williams, PhD*
This award is presented by the Class of 2000 to the member of the alternative Curriculum faculty who has demonstrated outstanding teaching ability and dedicated service in the basic and behavioral sciences.

Aesculapius Award — *Ravi Nemivant, MD*
The Class of 2000 presents this award to the outstanding resident-physician or fellow, in recognition for excellence in teaching and patient care.

Hooder — *Jan Schmidt*
The Class of 2000 presents this honor to the faculty member who they would like to see present the hoods at the commencement ceremony.

RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE CLASS OF 2000 ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HONORS

Discussant at the 19th Annual Alumni Clinicopathological Conference
Kasi Ramanathan, MD

Class Respondent at the Commencement Banquet
Alan Abando, MD

2000 Class Agents for the Alumni Association
Susan Casey Bleasdale, MD
Paul Burke, MD
Mitul Desai, MD
Jonathan Powell, MD

Leo M. Henikoff, MD
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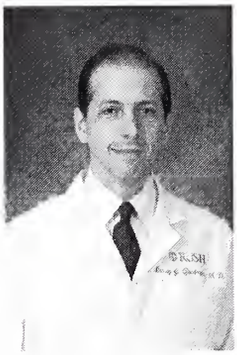

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Acting Dean Rush Medical College

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Executive Dean for Operations

Erich Brueschke, MD
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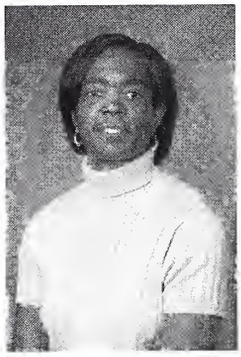
Associate Dean for Medical Student Programs



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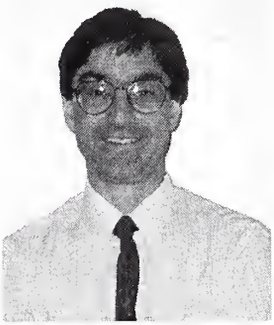

Robert Leven, PhD
Director, Specialized Programs

Jan L. Schmidt
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Administrative Director, Medical Student Programs

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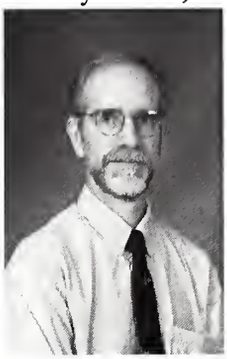

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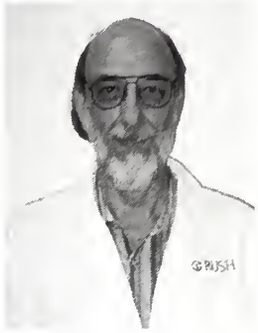

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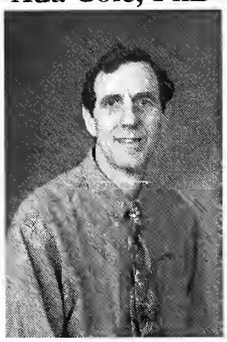

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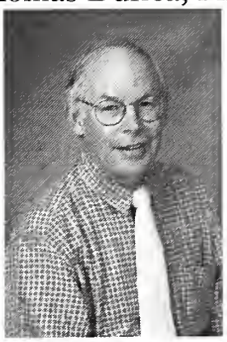
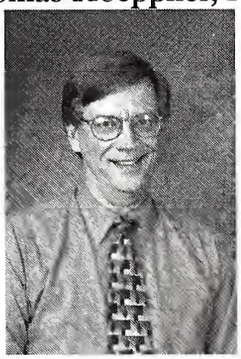


Franklin Hughes, PhD



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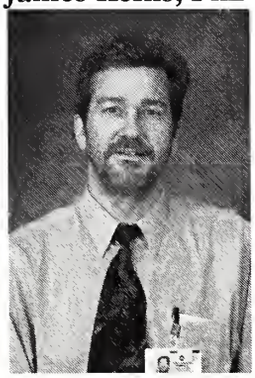
Jena Khodadad, PhD

Frank Leavitt, PhD



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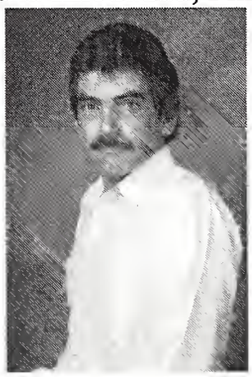

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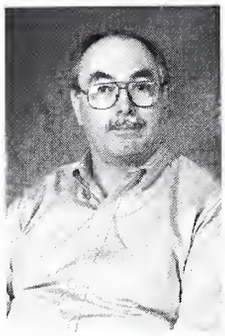
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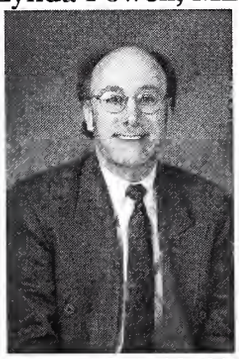
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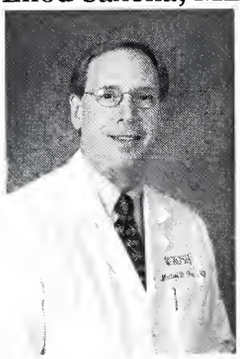
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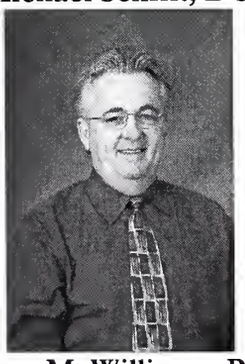
James M. Williams, PhD

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Bottom row – Minnie McMath, Elanda Shannon

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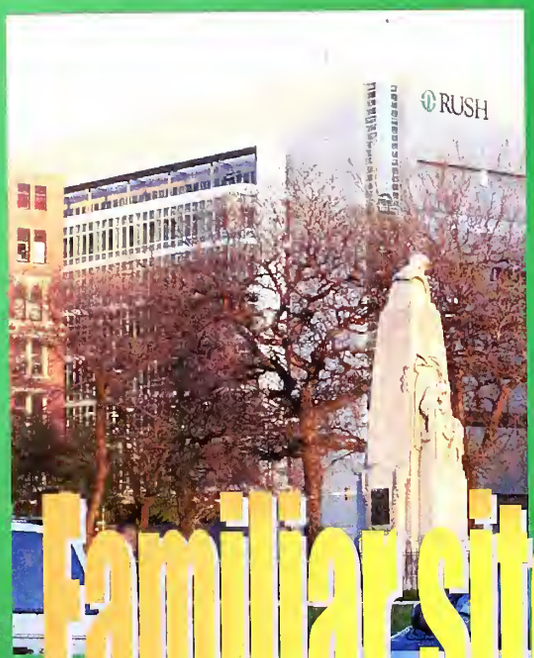
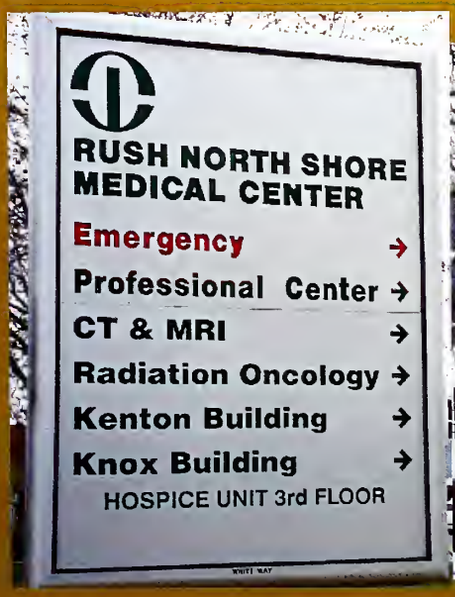
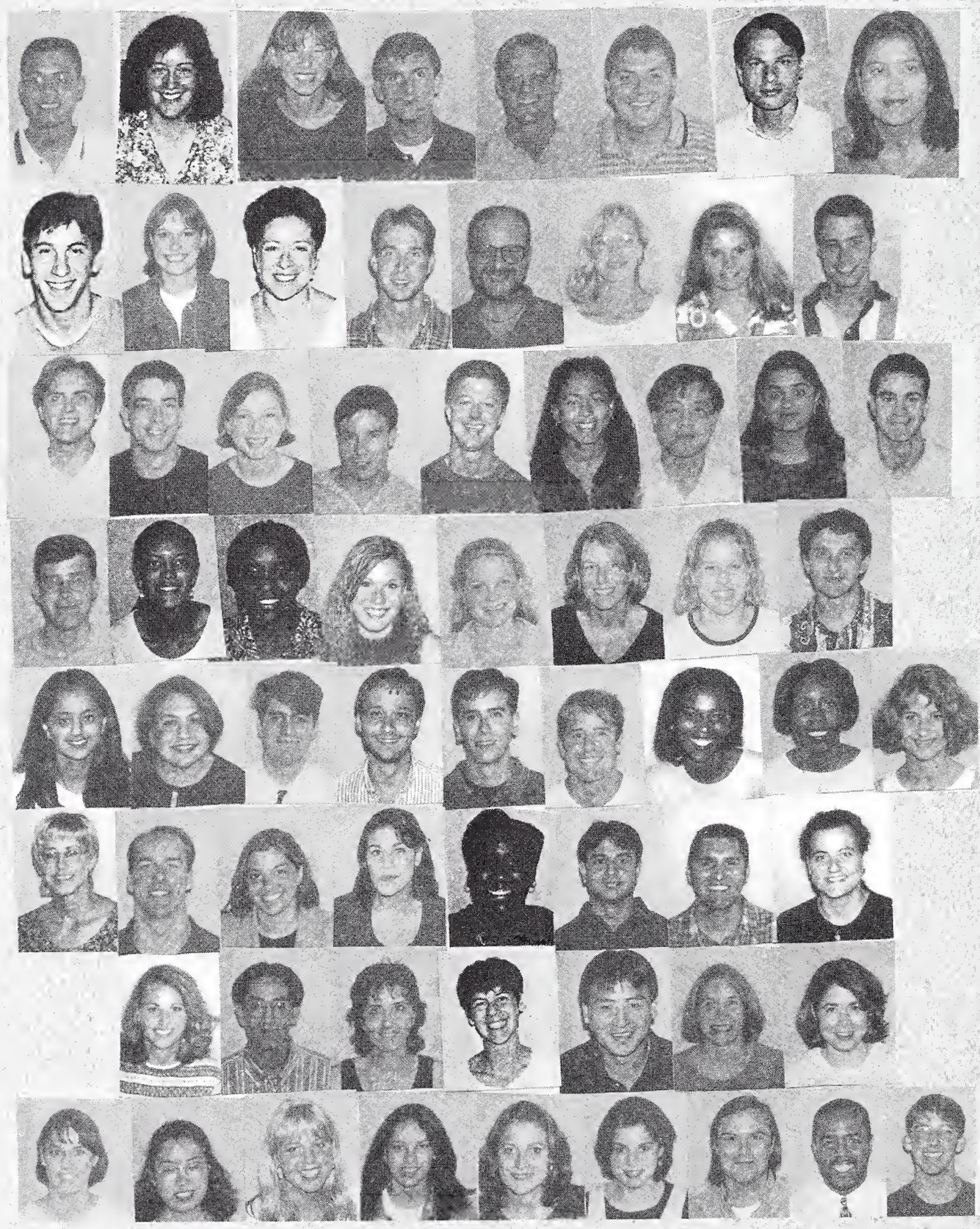
Familiar sites around home....



...and away from home.



All glory comes from daring to begin



There is inside of you all of the potential to be whatever you want to be,
all of the energy to do whatever you want to do.
Imagine yourself as what you would like to be
doing what you want to do
and each day take one step toward your dream
and though at times it may seem too difficult to continue,
hold onto your dream.
One morning you will be able to find
that you are the person you dreamed of -
doing what you wanted to do -
simply because you had the courage to believe in your potential
and hold on to your dream.
-Donna Levine

The Class of 2000 - 110 Graduating

Ages range from 24 to 43

States we hail from: IL, NY, DC, CA, PA, WA, CT, LA, CO, RI, MA, and FL

Cities in IL: Altamont, Arlington Heights, Batavia, Bolingbrook, Canton, Chicago, Downers Grove, Glenview, Grayslake, Hillside, Hinsdale, Joliet, Libertyville, Mundelein, Naperville, Northbrook, Peoria, Rockford, Winnetka

Countries: Philippines, Dominican Republic, Canada, Ukraine, England, and Greece

Undergraduate and Graduate work before medical school:

Illinois Schools: U of Illinois-29, UIC-10, U of C-10 , Loyola-3, Northwestern-7, SIU-1, North Central College-1, Benedictine-1, DePaul-1, Bradley U-1, ISU-1

Other States: *4 from* U of Michigan, 3 from Knox

2 from Indiana U, Michigan State, Notre Dame, and Emory

1 from U of WI Madison, U of MN, U of IA, U of Kansas, Penn State, U of PA, U of Miami FL, U of VT, U of OR, U of WA, San Diego State U, U of CA Berkley, U of CA San Diego,

Wash U, DePauw, Grinnell, Temple, Bob Jones, Millikin, Stanford, Gonzaga, Wake Forest, Colby, Oberlin, Crimean Medical Institute, Lawrence, Augustana, St. Xavier, Spelman, Tufts, Harvard/Radcliffe, Carleton, Valley Forge Christian College, and Carnegie Mellan

We are a well-rounded bunch with degrees that run the gambit.

Biology-49, Pre-medicine-1, Biochemistry-6, Bioengineering-3, Microbiology-3, Genetics-1, Microbial Ecology-1, Molecular and Cellular Biology-1, Chemistry-8, Medical Physics-1, Biomathematics-1, Sports Medicine-1, Physical Therapy-1, Occupational Therapy-1, Anthropology-1, History-4, Humanities-1, Speech Communications-3, Literature-2, English-4, German Literature-1, Spanish-1, Religious Studies-4, Theology-1, Electronics-1, Mathematics-2, Women's Studies-1, Psychology-6, Psycho-biology-1, Exercise Physiology-1, Economics-1, Business-1, Sociology-1, Political Science-1

Surveys from 58 of 110 graduating students

As you can see from the age range of our class many of us had other careers or worked to put ourselves through school.

Many were in research, several at Abbott Labs

Lab Technician (some at Howard Hughes Medical Inst. at U of C), ER Technician, Clinical Office Manger, Medical Assistant, Quality Technician, Biochemist, Minister, Drummer, Audio Engineer, TMTC, Large Animal Veterinarian, Bee Keeper, Bank Teller, Administrative Assistant, Carpet Layer, Professional Black Jack Player (?), Personal Trainer, Dance Performer/Instructor/Graduate Fellow, Bartender, Waiter (some in Paris, Dublin, and Bombay), Soccer Player, Founder of Painting Company, Volunteer

Many of us have been ETERNAL STUDENTS!!!

As we have traveled through these four years we have grown into physicians, but our personal lives have also transformed.

By graduation 24 of us have been engaged and married during medical school, and 6 more couples became engaged and will be married after graduation. So much for the statistics that 50% of us would be divorced. We beat the odds!!

5 students have had children during medical school (and you thought you had it tough).

Our families have also changed around us. Some of us have lost family and friends close to us. Some have had children graduate from high school and college, or go from preteens to teenagers (imagine that workload on top of med. school). Some of us have had spouses continue to excel in their careers to earn their PhD. Brothers and sisters have moved and become engaged. Some have had their first niece or nephew born into their family.

For some of us, just the life changes of becoming Midwesterners and changing our circadian rhythms have been transformation enough.

Our Classmates have continually dedicated themselves to service. We have traveled to underserved communities in and around Chicago...
Through RCSIP or other programs like...
Tutoring and coaching basketball in the Pilsen Youth Center, starting a health and wellness program at a local church, doing a Schweitzer Fellowship working in a shelter for abused women, "Big Sibs" for children with AIDS
US and Abroad...
Mescalaro Indian Reservation in New Mexico, teaching English as a second language in a Bosnian Refugee Center, service in countries like Africa, Mexico, Guatemala, Bolivia, Viet Nam, and Nigeria

We have also traveled for pleasure and to expand our horizons...
Cross country photograph and hiking trips, Las Vegas (many times), San Diego, New Orleans, Nashville, South Carolina, Camping in the Smokey Mountains, Vermont, Alaska, England, Amsterdam, Spain, Greece, Turkey, Israel, Australia, Paris, Edinburgh Scotland

We have spread the Rush name throughout the country through work on research and rotations...
Medical Genetic Research at NIH
Research on supplemental nutrition for HIV positive patients at CCH, UIC, and Rush
Food Borne Pathogen and Diarrheal Diseases at the CDC in Atlanta (started medical school with Salmonella and will end with it)
Rotation in Edinburgh, Scotland
Anesthesiology Summer Externship at Rush
Family Practice Externship throughout IL
AMSA has taken students to Florida, Ohio, and DC for lobbying for patient rights and med student issues

Some of us have worked through medical school
Abbott Labs
Lincoln Park Dog and Cat Clinic
Pigmented Lesion Clinic at the Rush Cancer Institute
Personal Trainer
House-sitter on the North Shore

Some of us have enriched ourselves through hobbies...
Wrestling a bull at the Kentucky State Fair
Learned to golf
Swing Dancing
Extra on "ER" and "Chicago Hope"
Gigs with the band "Swerve" in Seattle
Poetry submissions to the Art Gallery TGIF
Jumping out of Airplanes
Bowling
Counting the number of cokes consumed in medical school - 4000

Best memories of Rush...

During the pre-clinical years:

Acceptance to Rush
First day meeting everyone, orientation, and getting our white coats
Being in the Alternative Curriculum
All nighters and studying with friends at places like Caribou
The end of studying for Step 1 and the celebrations afterward - champagne and cigars on top of the parking deck, Kelle lifting up her dress to hail a cab
For some the roof of Schweppe was preferred especially for dropping oranges off of it
Going skydiving with classmates during M2 year
The Medicine Ball
Drunken softball tournament
Finishing M2 year

During the clinical years:

Jon Powell explaining what a renal angiogram is
Taking the role of surgeon with Dr. Prinz in the excision of a mole on the thigh
Playing foosball with patients on the psyche ward
Successful resuscitation of a heroine overdose of Jefferson Street
"When a new mom gave her new baby my name"
"The first time I was mistaken for an attending (better now than later)"
Getting smacked around by Dr. Doolas

Random best memories...

Nights out
The list of 80's songs
Ethan's hand caught in a concubine
Slow dancing with Roman
The faculty and deans who have cared for us over these 4 years
TGIF's
Hanging out in the computer lab
Goose Island
Making the perfect margarita
"Portabello" night a the Lake House
Vacations

For many the best memories involve friendship...

"Meeting some of my best friends in the entire world and an amazing boyfriend"
"Being with my friends – too many good times to pick just one"
"Meeting my husband and matching where he is"
"Laughing with my friends"
Lisa Rosman's wedding
"Marrying my husband"

"Meeting my future wife"
"All of those crazy times with Jeremy and Jon"
"The friends I made, the people I met"
"Times spent with the friends I was lucky enough to make"
Karen Goldman's Life

Matching

Graduation Day, June 10, 2000

Not all of our memories were pleasant...

Getting rejection letters for 3 years straight
Finding our 1st year started a week earlier than originally thought
1st day the commute home, "I cried when I got home, what had I done?"
Waiting for the "El" in 37° below vs. driving in Chicago traffic
1st midterms
Finals week and a half – fall quarter M2 "Could it get any harder?"
Being at the library late enough to hear "Library's closed" while the lights go out
The end of the AC
Any class with Dr. Haut
Pathology
SBR
Counting trees in Albany Park for Health of the Public
The demolition of Schweppe-Sprague
Almost vomiting when too close to a severely decayed cadaver in anatomy
Quentin writing the Ethics Exam without a shirt on
Game 6 Bulls vs. Jazz, 1998
Studying for Step 1, the day before Step 1
Watching fellow classmates dance at the post-boards party

Clinical years (These tend to be focused around surgery. Are you sure some of you don't want to rethink your decision?)

Being on call
Surgery Clerkship, the OR, RNS Surgery
Scrubbing for a 6 hour renal transplant as 1st assistant
Debriding a necrotic butt abscess
Being a patient and doing rounds in a wheelchair in my hospital gown
Dog Lab
Getting smacked around by Dr. Doolas
Residency application process
Waiting for match results
The morning of match

The final bill $$$$ - the memory to stay with us the longest

#1 worst memory at Rush
Survey Says - "NONE"

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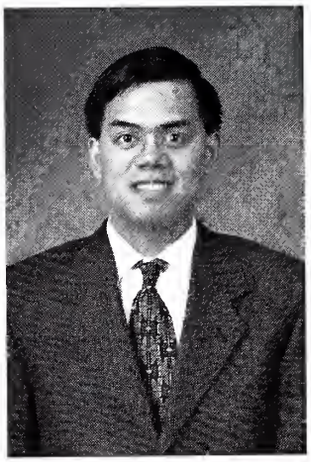

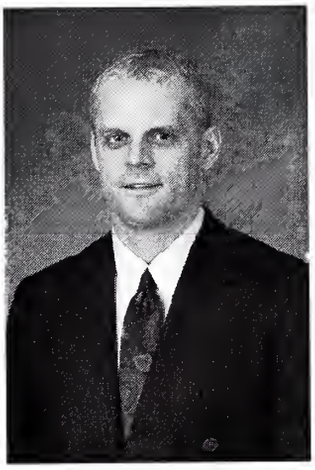

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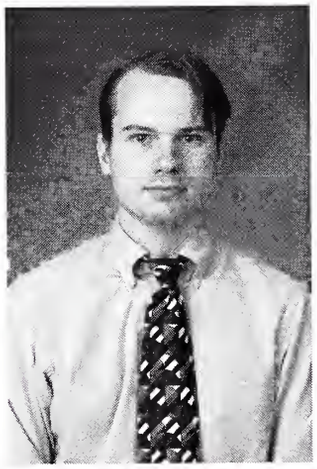

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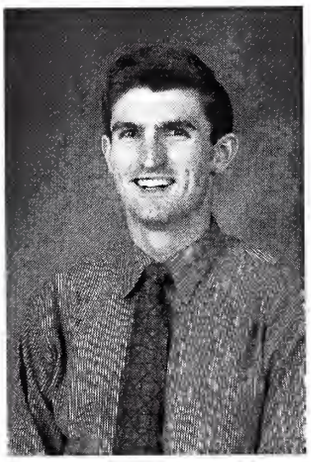

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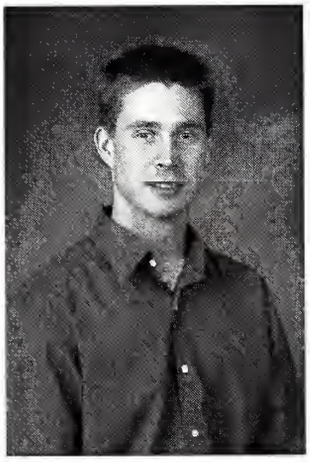

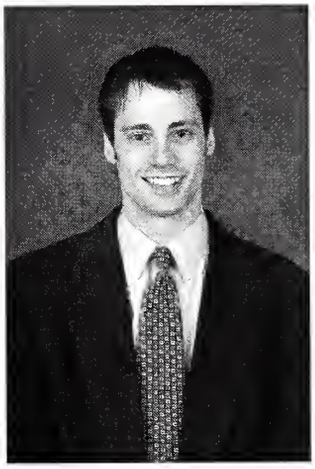

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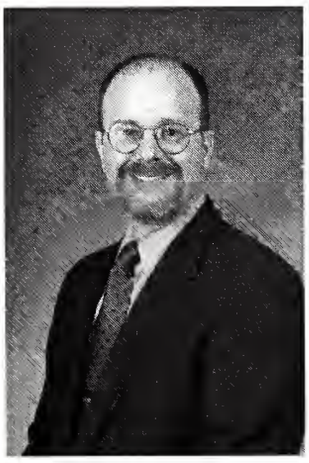

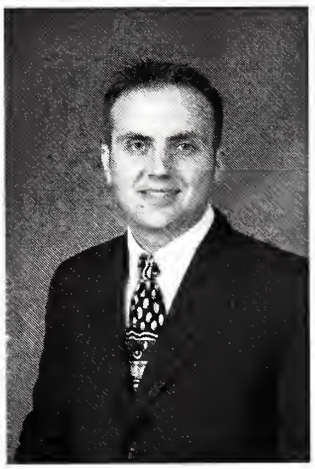

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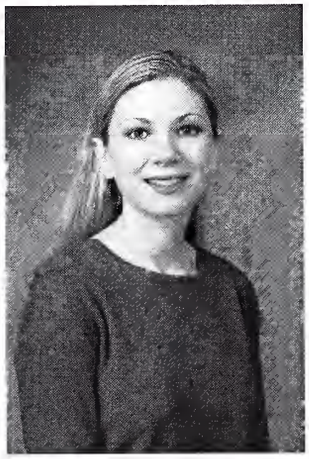

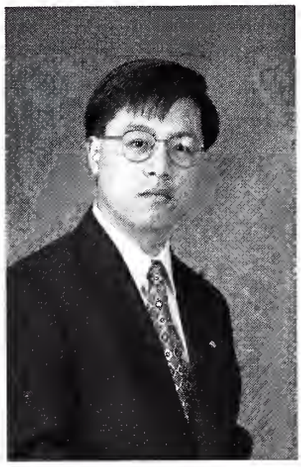

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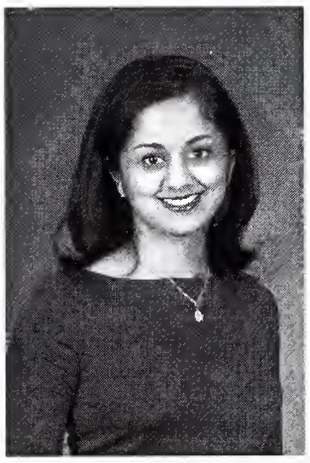

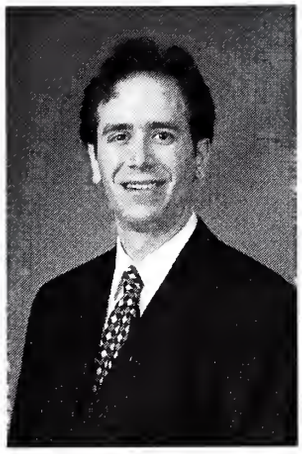

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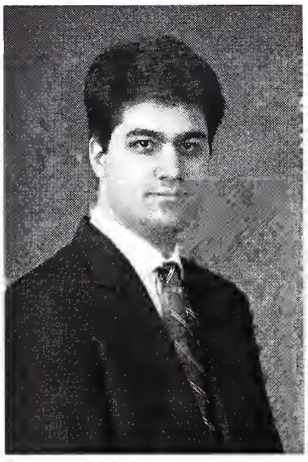

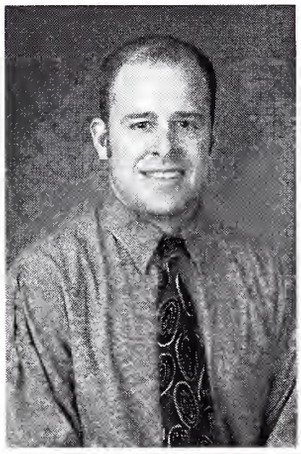

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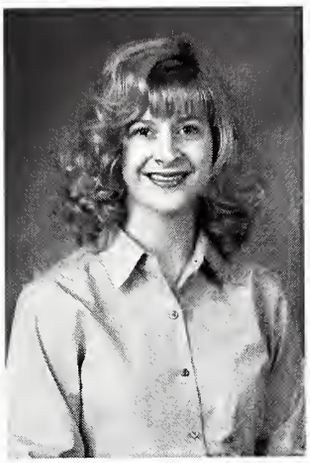

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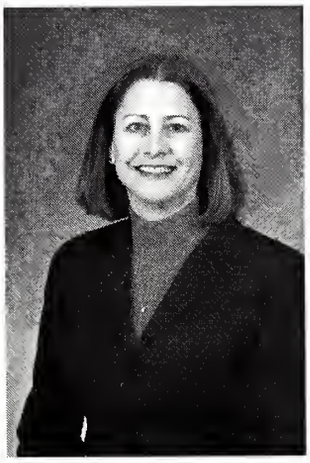

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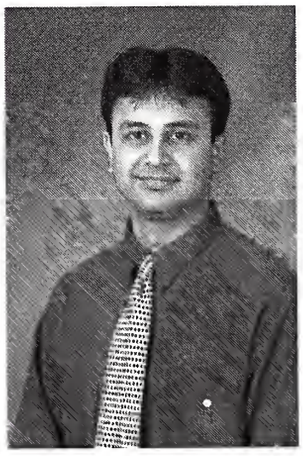

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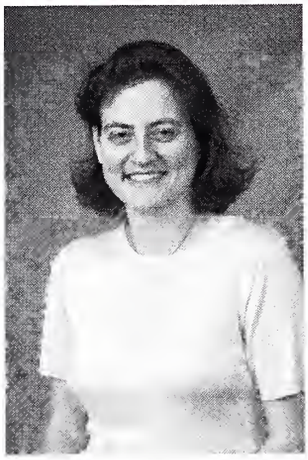

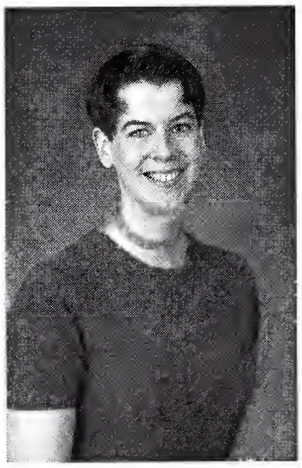

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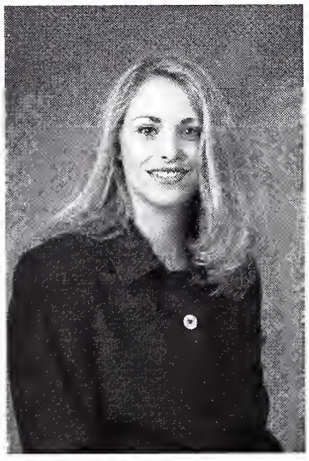

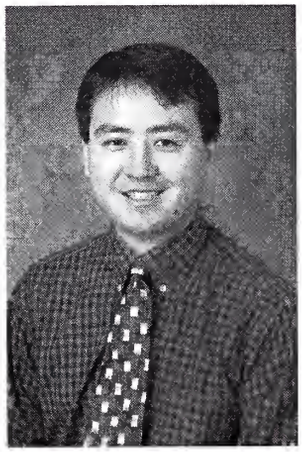

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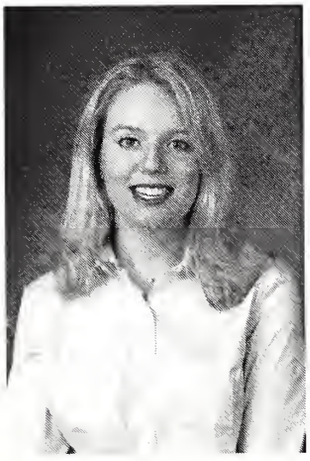

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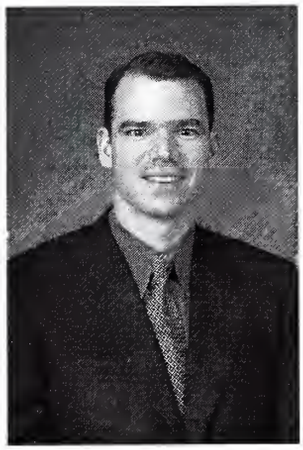

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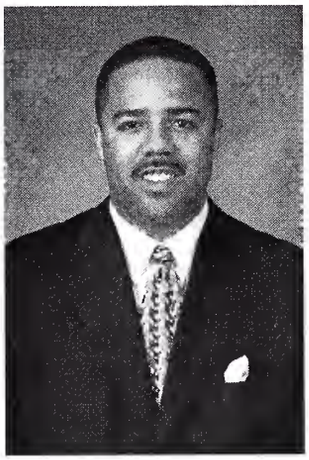

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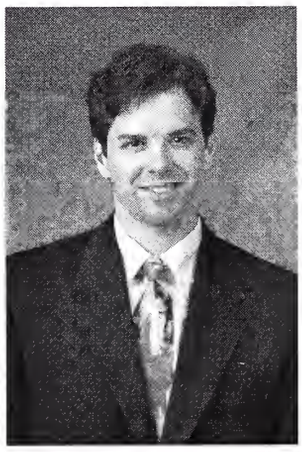

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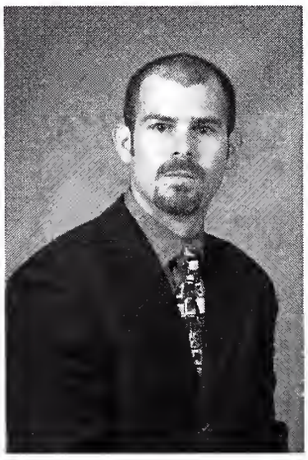

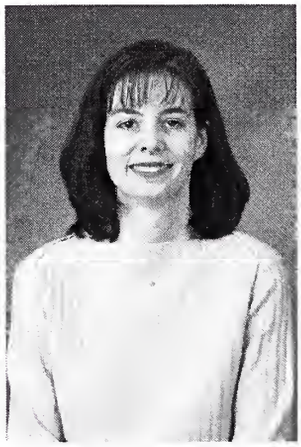

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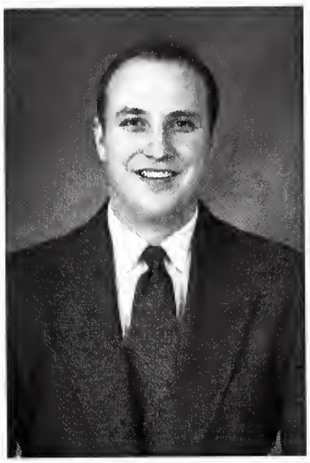

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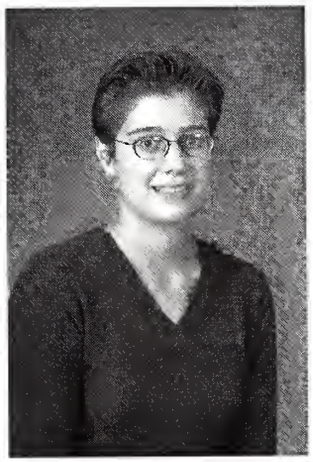

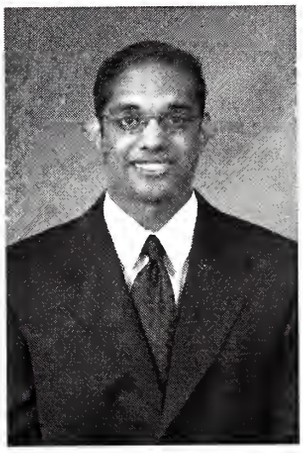

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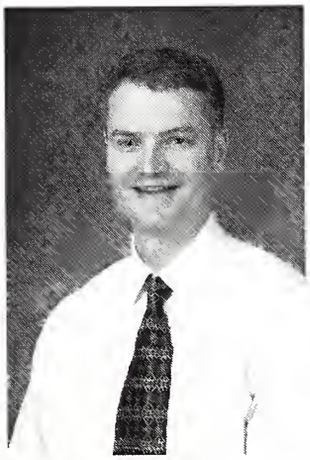

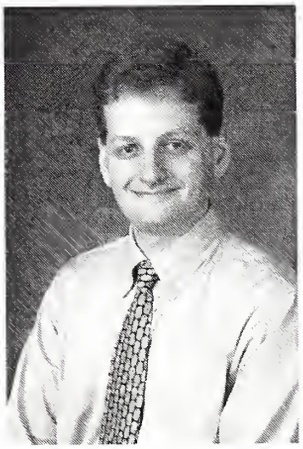

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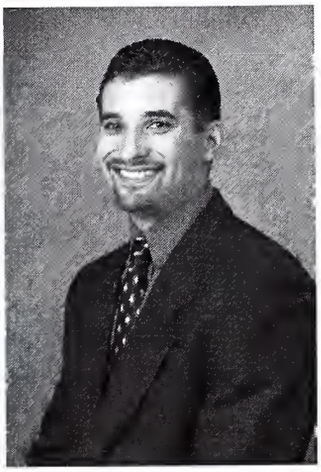

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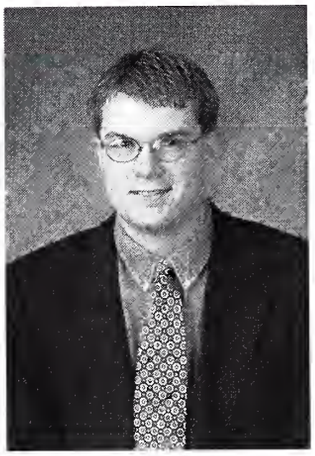

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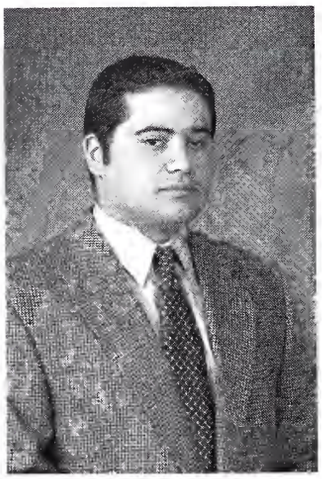

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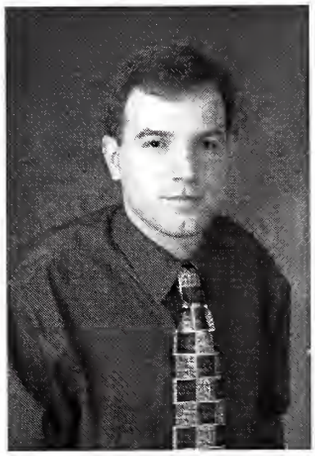

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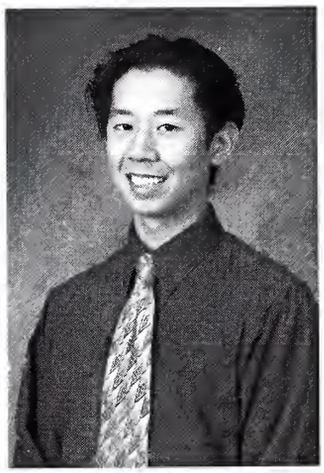

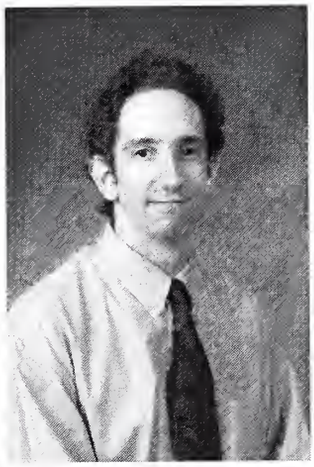

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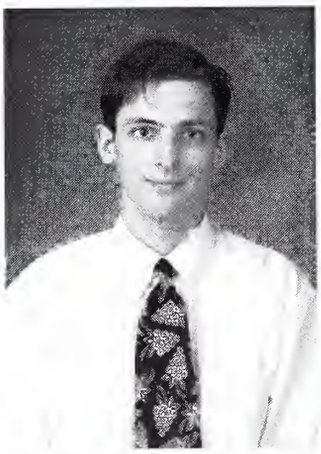

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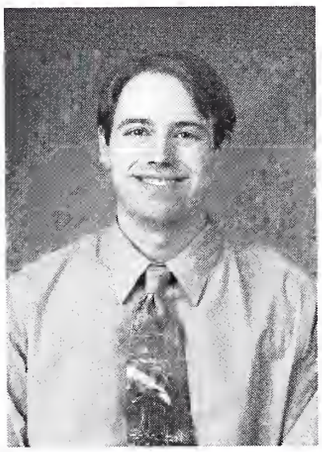

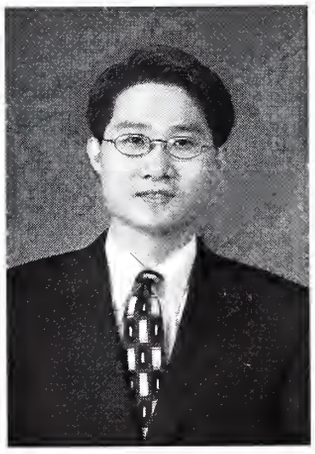

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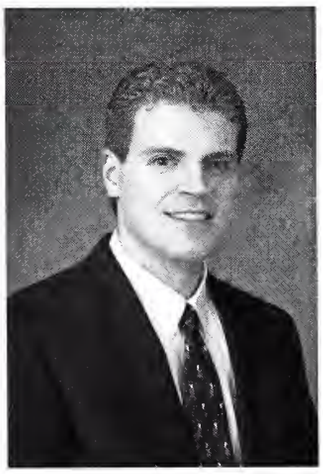

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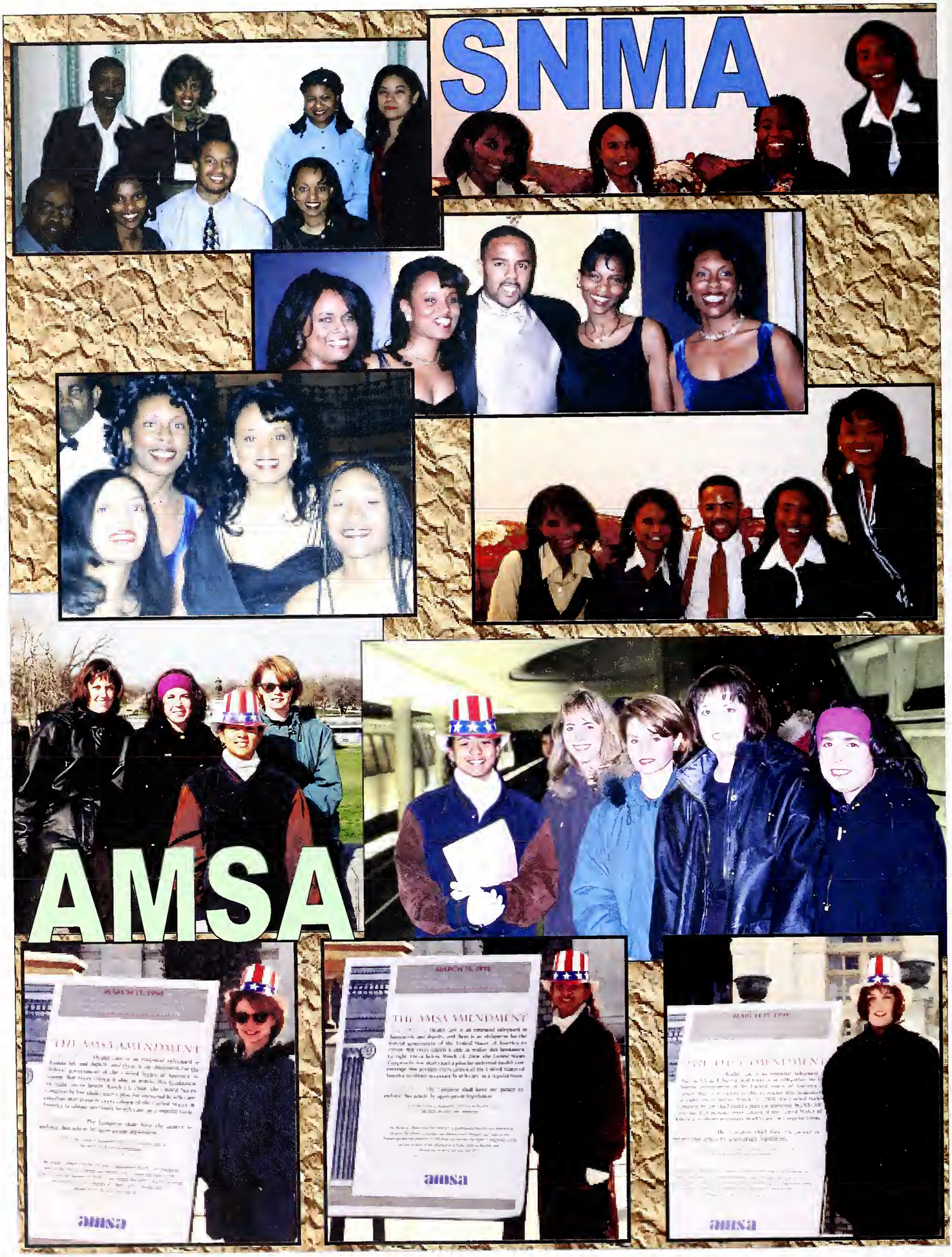
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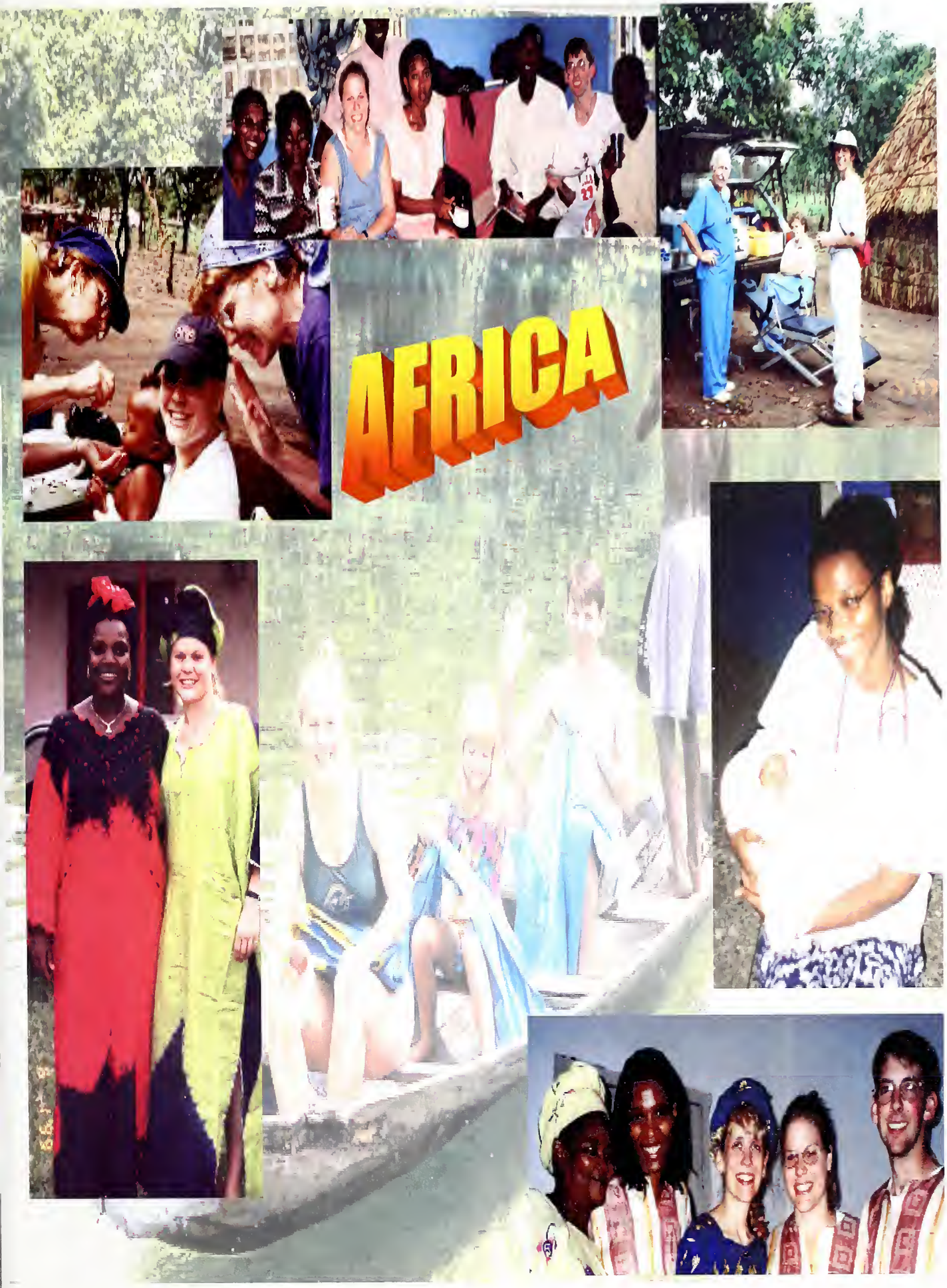
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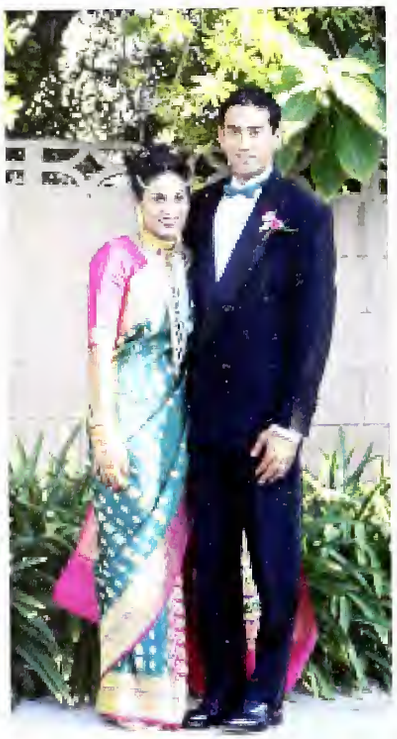

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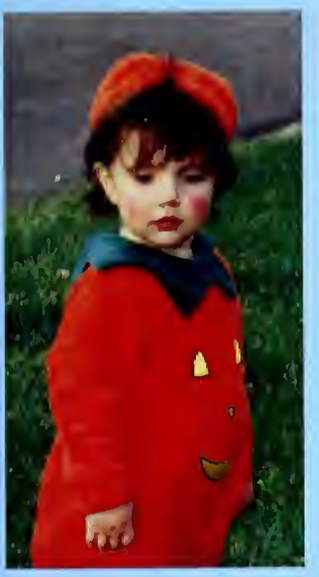
Babies and Families



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Kevin and his nephew, Alexander

Andrew Kavanangh Black's family

Maureen Kidd's pigs, Schweiny and Rooty

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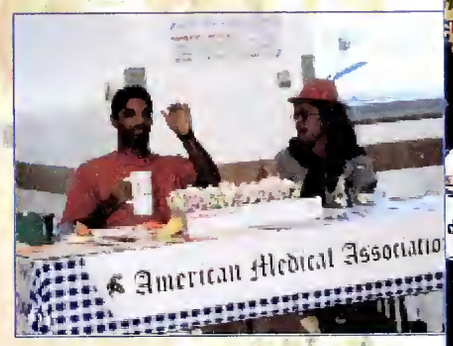
Thank goodness it's FREE...



TGIF!!

clowning around

Take me out to the ball game...

Considering an alternative

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"outdoor" chef?

super hero??

or

pro wrestler??

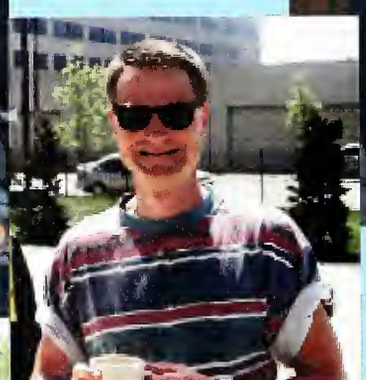
When the working day is done...

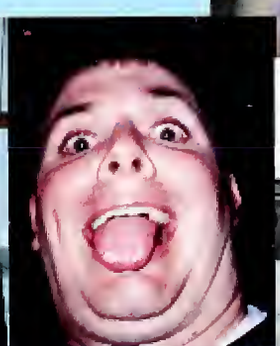
we just wanna have

...FUN!

Night Fever

Studying the effects of ETOH





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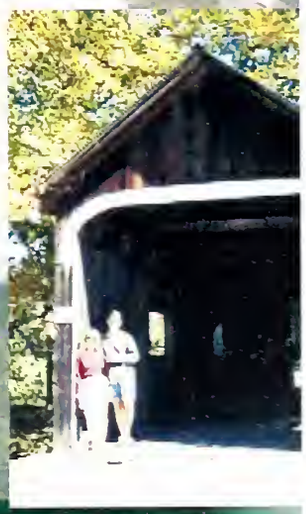
Around the world...

catching rays

...and conquering mountains!

Travel companions



Anatomy Lab

STUDY TIME....

Post-Boards Partying

BLS, Study, & Leisure Times

Lunch Time

Post Call Sub-intern

Coffee Break

Last Rotation Smile!

Neuro Rounds

Picture with Advisor

On the Last Stretch...

Alan Abando

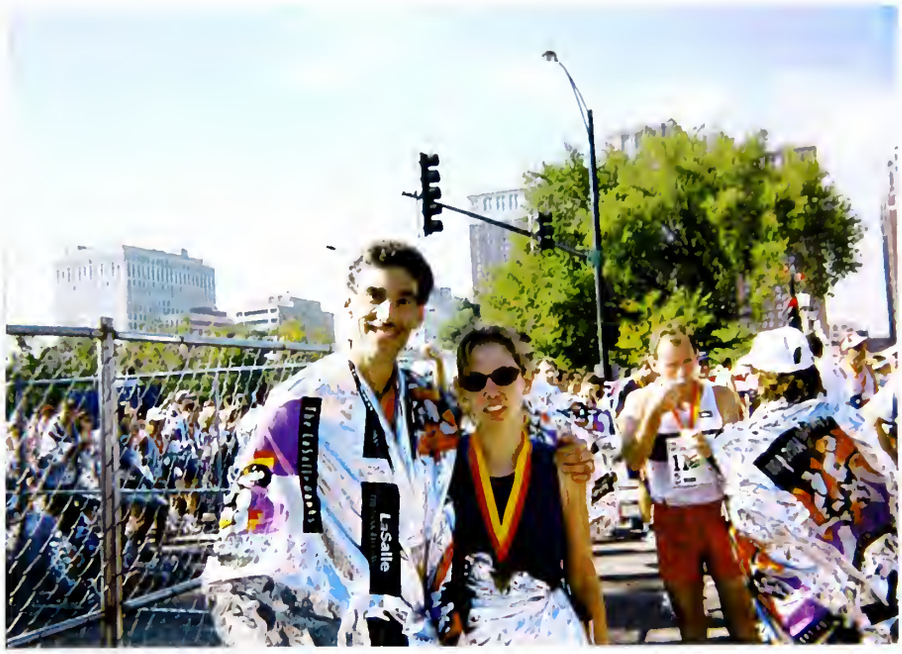
To my family: Thanks for all your support and unconditional love; without you, all that is, could not be.

To my friends: Thanks for all the good times, laughs, and support.

To Nicole: Thanks for your support, love, for being in my life. To my classmates: Congrats & best of luck!

Gina Adair

Naomi Arenson



Julian Ayer

Steph, Mom, Dad, David, Marie, Grandma, Grandpa, Grandma, George, Judy,
My Friends, and other family,

Thank you for your continuing love and support through the years that has enabled me to reach this proud milestone.

Love,

Julian

Scott Bailey

Cigars & Champagne After Part I!

Brett Barnhart

IF

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or, being hated, don't give away to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;

If you can dream – and not make dreams your master;
If you can think – and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with triumph and disaster
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,
And stoop and build'em up with wornout tools;

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breath a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew,
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
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If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings – nor lose the common touch;
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Yours is the earth and everything that's in it,
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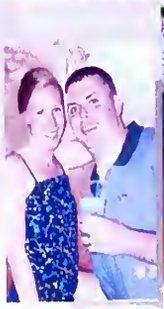

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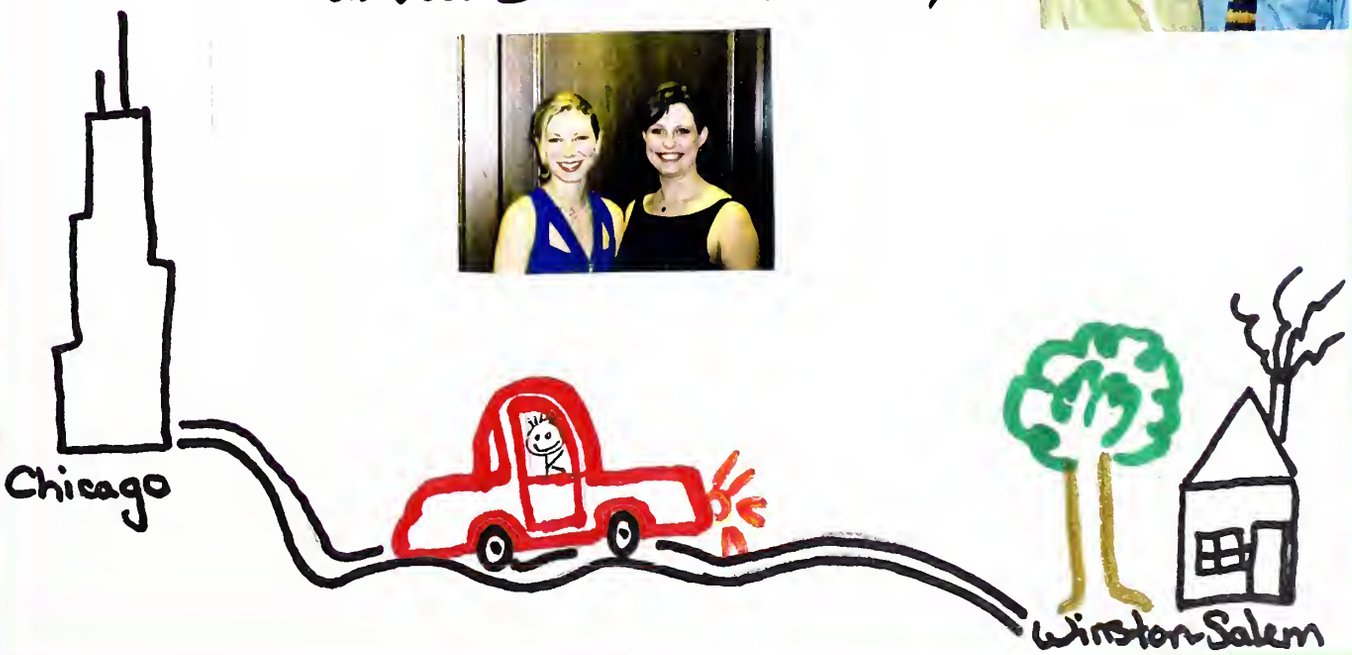

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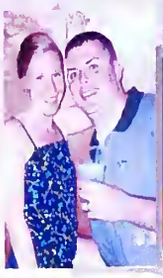

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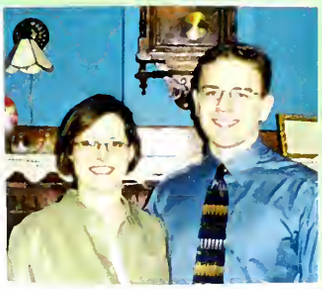

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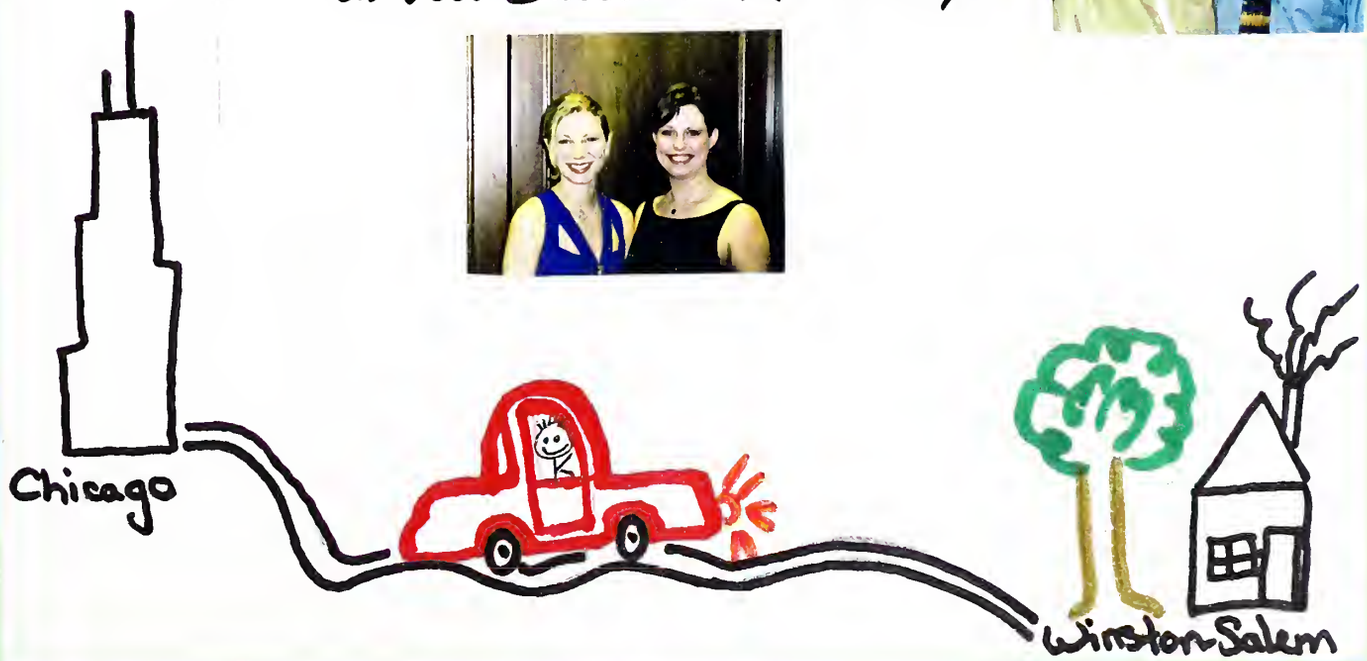

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Mike, I love you!
You understand the need
to be a lifelong learner.

GiGi and Papa

Dad, my inspiration
Always in our hearts

Thanks to my family for
Supporting the hypothesis that
dreams can be attained after 30.
Now, on to the next chapter.

Thanks also to
Gina, Mitul, Naomi, Sue,
Brendan, Roman, and
all my teachers mentors and friends
who made this experience so rich.

Andrew and Julia
My joy and love,
My sunshine!

My brother Steven,
Let's keep sharing good times together.

Mom, you're the best!
Where would we be without you?

Susan Casey Bleasdale

Thank you...

Grandma, for supporting me during the hardest time - applying to medical school.

My brothers -John, for setting an example of what it means to help those who need you most. Michael, for listening to my stories and inspiring me with your enthusiasm. Tony, for your support and admiration, the feeling is mutual.

My husband and my best friend, Tom, for being my constant source of support and inspiration, and for giving me an excellent example to follow.

Mom & Dad, for always insisting that I can do anything, and for being role models who have succeeded both in family and career.

To be happy set yourself a goal that commands your thoughts, liberates your energy, and inspires your hopes. - Dale Carnigie

I am sure that I would not have completed this journey if it had not been for the strong friendships I have made, the love and support of my beautiful wife, and my amazing family....
THANK YOU!!

Dedicated to the memory of my dad, Mel Bransky

"The difference between a successful person and others is not the lack of strength, nor the lack of knowledge, but rather the will." -Vince Lombardi

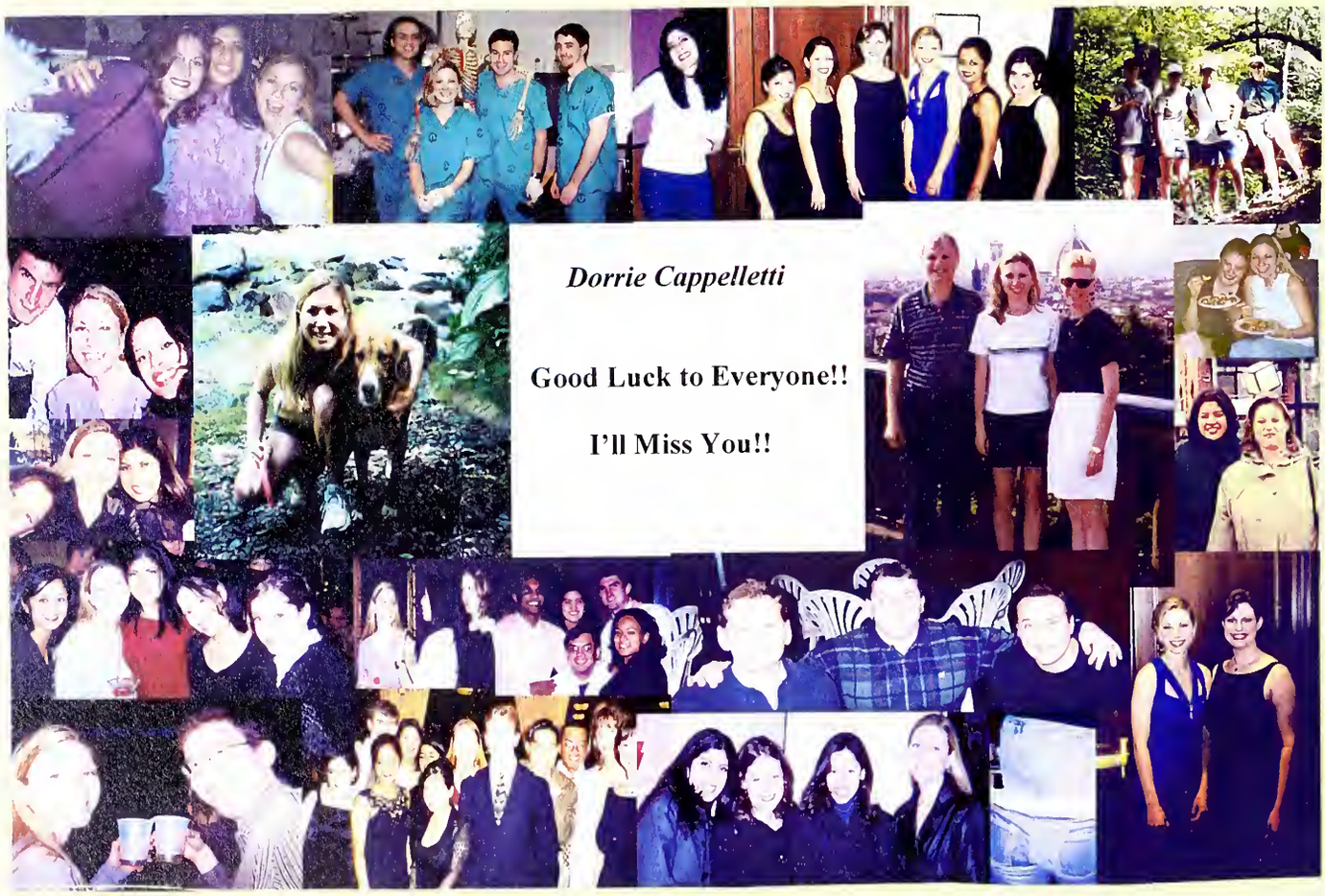
"Power concedes nothing without a demand..."
– Frederick Douglass

Marque D. Broussard

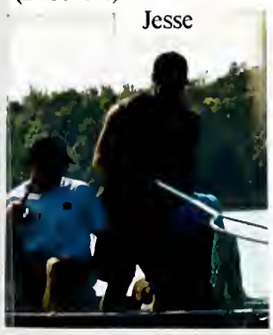
Kevin T. Brumund

I must say I never thought I would enjoy medical school so much. I conquered numerous mountaintops on backpacking trips, jumped out of a plane, traveled the world, and countless other experiences I would love to mention, but that type of information could be used as evidence at a later date. I accomplished all of my academic goals, culminating with an otolaryngology residency at the University of Iowa. I now have an adorable nephew, Alexander, with a second on the way, I met the queen of my kingdom and future wife, Mariah McIntyre Sharkey, and befriended two people whom I cannot imagine going through medical school without, Jeremy Rochester and Jon Powell. I credit my parents for all my success, as all of my accomplishments are nothing more than a reflection of the superb job they did in raising me. Countless thanks to Rush Medical College and the faculty.

Close your eyes and open your mind.



(Brothers) Paul & Jesse



My True Companion (Susan)

To all of my classmates,
and the people pictured here-
THANK YOU FOR THE MEMORIES AND SUPPORT.

Love - JOHN

James & Patricia Carey (Parents)

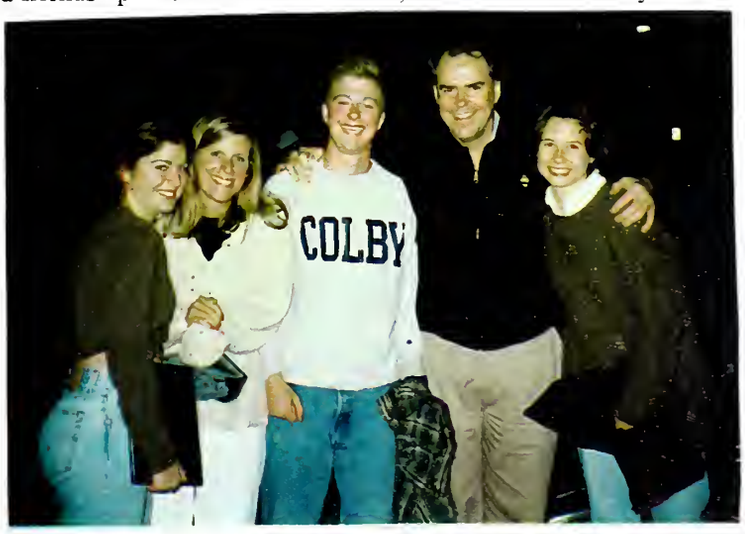
My mom

Allen Paul (Great Friend)

Brendan Cavanaugh

The last four years have given me the chance, once again, to see how lucky I am to have such a loving and supportive network surrounding me, and to all of them I owe a heart-felt thanks: to my friends, who have always made me laugh and smile; to my grandmother, Mary Ellen, who has always been so proud; to my Aunt, Vicki, who has continually been like a second mother; to my sister, Molly, whose love and admiration of her brother has always been inexorable; to my father, James, whose encouragement and guidance have made me a better person; to my mother, Stephanie, whose undying love and devotion to her children have truly been inspirational; to my Nana, Gertrude Bell, who has shown me that love really has no color; to my true companion, Sarah, whose patience, understanding, care and friendship I could not live without; and most of all to my late grandfather, Carl, to whom I dedicate my degree. It was his courage in the face of cancer eleven years ago that helped solidify my decision to pursue a career in medicine. I still miss him dearly, but it is comforting to know that his spirit will be with me forever…….

B.J. Cavanaugh
June 10, 2000



Anita Chandrathil

Dave Chua

Dear friends, as we reach the end of our journey together, I would like to say thanks for all the memories. Truly, it would not have been the same without each and every one of us. In parting, I would like to share this piece written some time ago. I think it is quite fitting for the roles we have chosen for ourselves...

ASCENDANT

I stand before the threshold of time;
in the vast dark expanse, I see-
infinite worlds collide
myriad futures unfurl
in violent spasms
of light and color...

From beyond, despaired voices-
"Help! We seek a teacher,
a man, a friend, a healer, a guardian,
a leader..."
"To him, we pledge naught but ourselves,
our lives, all that we are..."

Salvation arrives with a mortal like me
a stranger of distant lands
no magic but the spirit of heart,
wisdom and will to try
and banish the hate,
the hurt, the fear...

Another portal appears before me;
my ears,
frightened cries assailed.
I step through the portal;
this is my destiny-
I am the Ascendant...

Always...

Kendall Dupree

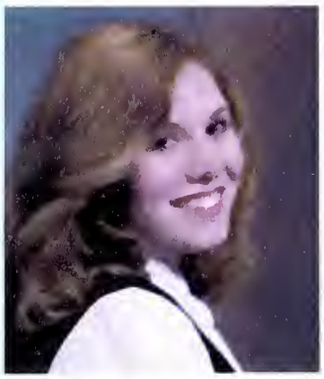
Dance as though no one is watching you
Love as though you have never been hurt

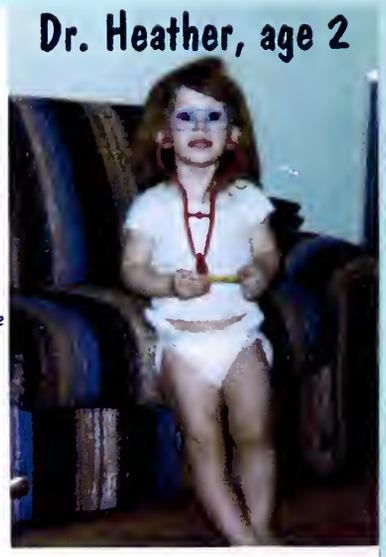
Sing as though no one can hear you
Live as though heaven is on earth

Mitul Desai

Thanks to my amazing parents for their endless support and encouragement to follow my dreams, my wonderful friends for always believing in me, and my fellow classmates for all the unforgettable memories.
Good luck class of 2000!

Heather Dyer




Dr. Heather, age 2

My Friends,

Going from one kind of kid doctor to another has not been an easy task for me. There have been many obstacles in my path (mostly non-academic ones) and there are many people to whom I owe thanks:

My wonderful boyfriend, Bill Espinosa, for always believing I can do more than I think I can.

My best friend Clara Jaeckel for treating even the most hysterical thoughts as reasonable when they come from me.

Dr. Linda Rufer for being an unbelievable role model as well as my mentor and advocate.

My Aunt Sue, for her amazing emotional and more than occasional emergent financial support over the years.

My grandmother, Ann Dyer, for her constant faith, love and prayers.

All of my friends, family, and classmates who have provided unconditional support throughout my academic career.

My sister Amy for her fierce loyalty and love and, most of all, my Mommer for her unfailing love, support, and pride. I could never have made it here without her.

In the last four years I have become a doctor, met the love of my life, bought our first house and adopted our new puppy, Buffy (who is really more of a chicken than a dog).

I have a lot to be thankful for.

Good Luck Everybody!

Katherine Ender

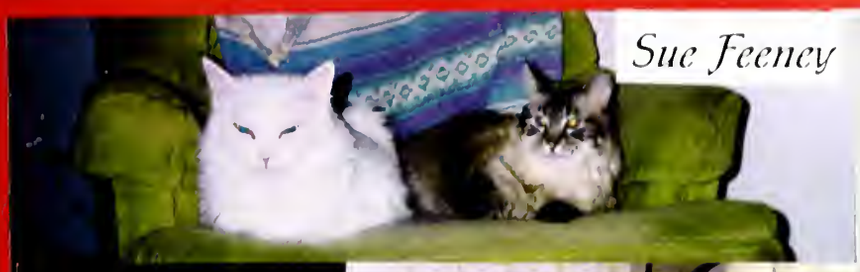
"The unexamined life is not worth living."
-Socrates, Plato's *Apology*
To which I say: the un*lived* life is not worth examining.

Children~ our personal pasts
and our common future . . . .

"But I don't want to go among mad people," Alice remarked.
"Oh, you ca'n't help that," said the Cat: "we're all mad here. I'm mad. You're mad."
"How do you know I'm mad?" said Alice.
"You must be," said the Cat, "or you wouldn't have come here."
-Lewis Carroll
Alice in Wonderland

It's been fun. Love, Katie

Sue Feeney



Eve Cukier Feinberg

mom and dad: thank you for your
love, encouragement and support
I couldn't have done this without you
ben and beth: you are the best older
siblings anyone could dream of.
ben: haha MD>MBA
mark: you'll always be schnookie
brad: words are not enough...
CLASS OF 2000: good luck!

"You don't hear much about people with a dream today. It's almost as if they're afraid to discover what they're individually capable of. But all of us have more inside us than we believe possible. To bring it out, we have to dream big and dare to fail." - Ken Ringle

Carla Fritz

Thank you to everyone who has helped me survive the last four years. I've learned so much, but my best accomplishment has been to become friends with my parents. I can't thank them enough or begin to tell them how much I love them.

Thanks to Alex, Matt, and all my friends for preventing me from becoming a crotchety ol' maid MD with no life. You mean the world to me.

Sergey Furmanov

Preparing since my early days...

It isn't the thing you do,
It's the thing you leave undone
That gives you a bit of heartache
At the setting of the sun.
The tender word forgotten,
The letter you did not write,
The flowers you did not send
Are your haunting ghosts at night...

with a little help from my friends...

...for the AC lifestyle!

(cold) draft '86

...it only took me 15 years to get an MD

Браво!

Dominique Gariti

Parul Garg

To my parents...
You truly are the wind
beneath my wings

To all my family and friends...
Thanks for all of your love
and support.

To my classmates...
Thanks for the good times, and good
luck to you all. Aren't you going to
miss our MY year?

(my roommate and dear friend for 3 years)

(my fiancé & love)

(my family)

(me)

Sergey Golber

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תפילה הרופא לרמב"ם

אל עליון!
קורב ישאני מהוֹל בעבודתי הקדושה. לרפא
את שרי כפך. אני כפיל את תחנתי כלפי כסא
כבודך. להתן כי אוכן רוח ומרץ רב לעשות
את עבודתי באמונה.
ויהי שאיפה לעבר הון או שום לא הצור
את עיני מראות נכוחה. חזקני להבין על כל סובב
הבא לפיאול בעשתי כולל ארם. בלי הבדל בין
עשיר ועני. ידיד ורונא איש טוב ורע. את האדם
בעד מה הראני הק את האדם!
אם חפצים בונים בני רוצים ללמדני בינה.
הן כי קרשון ללמוד מהם כי תורה הרפואה אין
עיוך לה. אבלי כאיר כסילים שוטאי אחרי!
אחשבו למקצוע תחוק את רוחי מבלי להתחילם
עם קנה המלילים ומדרים הק האמת הנה עד
לבל כי כל יתור בחקעוני יכול להבוא כלון
ומחלה ליצור כפך
אנא ה' רחום וחנון חזקנו ואמצנו בגופי ונפשי
ורוח יכבה העיר בקרבי.

"Всевышний! Прежде чем приступаю к моему священному труду по лечению творений Твоих рук, я обращаюсь с мольбой перед Престолом Твоей славы, чтобы Ты дал мне душевное мужество выполнять мою работу с верой

И чтобы стремление к накоплению богатства и добра не ослепило глаза мои, чтобы я мог видеть действительность, удостой меня смотреть на каждого страдающего, который обратится за моим советом, как на человека, но делая различия между богатым и бедным, другом и врагом, добрым и злым. Человека в его страданиях покажи мне, только Человека!

Если врачи, более сведущие, чем я, захотят обучать меня знаниям, даруй мне желание учиться у них. Ибо наука врачевания не знает завершения. Однако когда глупцы будут меня презирать, будь ко мне милосердным. Моя любовь к моей профессии укрепит мой дух, чтобы не считаться с возрастом насмешников и их положением. Только Истина будет для меня светильником, ибо каждая уступка в науке может привести к гибели и болезням творений Твоих рук

Внемли, Б-г, милосердный и милостивый, укрепи и приободри мое тело и мой дух и всели в меня душевный мир".

THANK G-d FOR MY PARENTS, MY WIFE AND MY FRIENDS. I OWE YOU EVERYTHING.

SPECIAL THANKS TO MATT GROENING FOR THE BEST ANTIDEPRESSANT

Neal Gold

Words cannot express the thanks I owe to my family, friends, & as of April 9, 2000, my wife Mindy. Through the good times and bad, you have always believed in me. My life has been enriched because of you.

Some thoughts from a favorite of mine…

People love to recommend their doctor to you. I don't know what they get out of it, but they really push them on you.

"Is he good?"

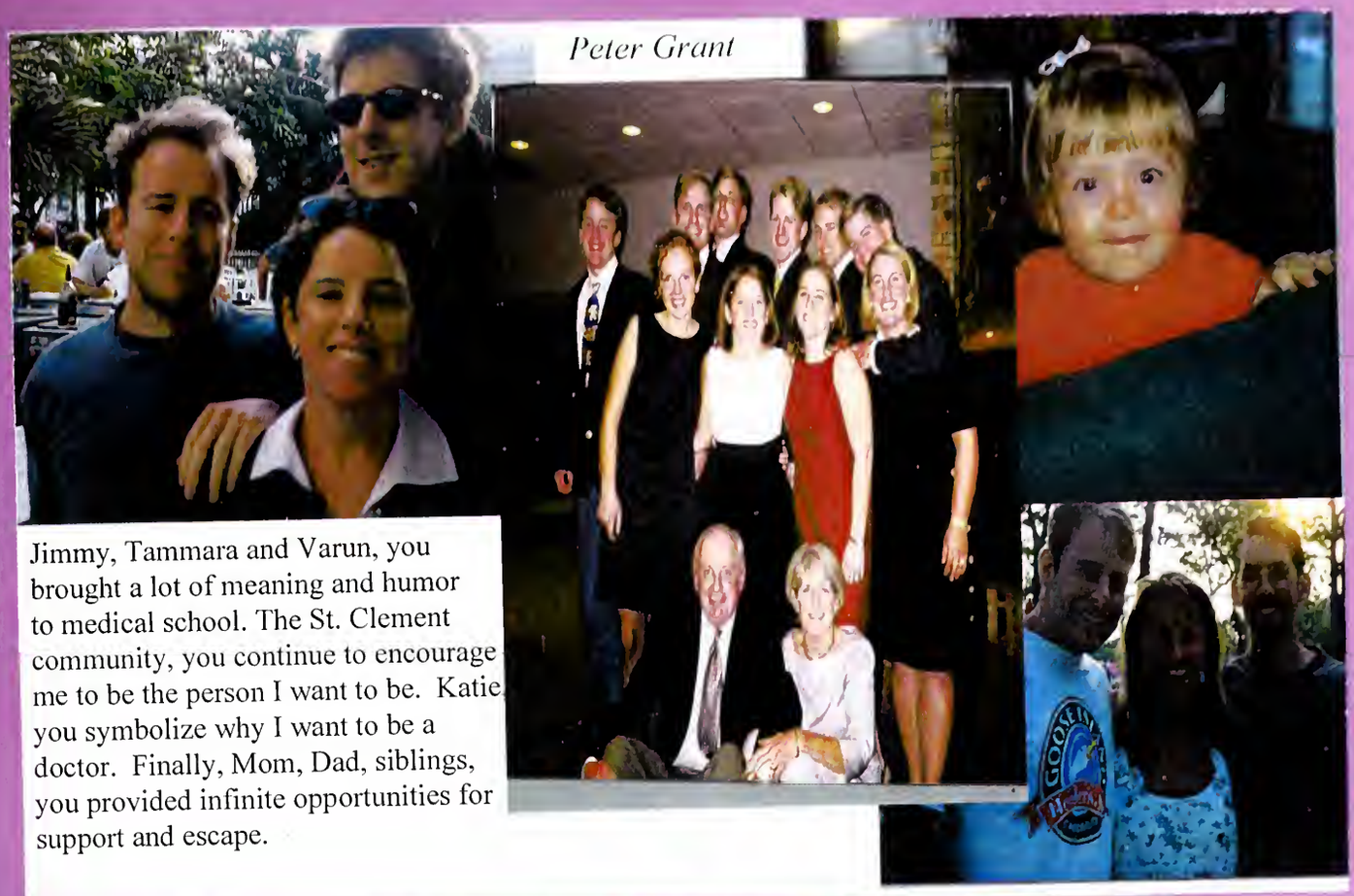
"He's the best. This guy's the best." There can't be this many "bests." Someone's graduating at the bottom of these classes. Where are these doctors? Is someone somewhere saying to their friend, "You should see my doctor, he's the worst. He's the absolute worst there is. Whatever you've got, it'll be worse after you see him. The man's an absolute butcher."

And whenever a friend refers a doctor they say, "Make sure that you tell him that you know me." Why? What's the difference? He's a doctor.

"Oh, you know Bob? Oh, okay, I'll give you the *real* medicine. Everybody else I'm giving Tic Tacs."

Jerry Seinfeld

Peter Grant



Jimmy, Tammara and Varun, you brought a lot of meaning and humor to medical school. The St. Clement community, you continue to encourage me to be the person I want to be. Katie, you symbolize why I want to be a doctor. Finally, Mom, Dad, siblings, you provided infinite opportunities for support and escape.

Rebecca Hampton

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart;
and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways
acknowledge him, and He shall direct they paths.
Proverbs 3:5-6.

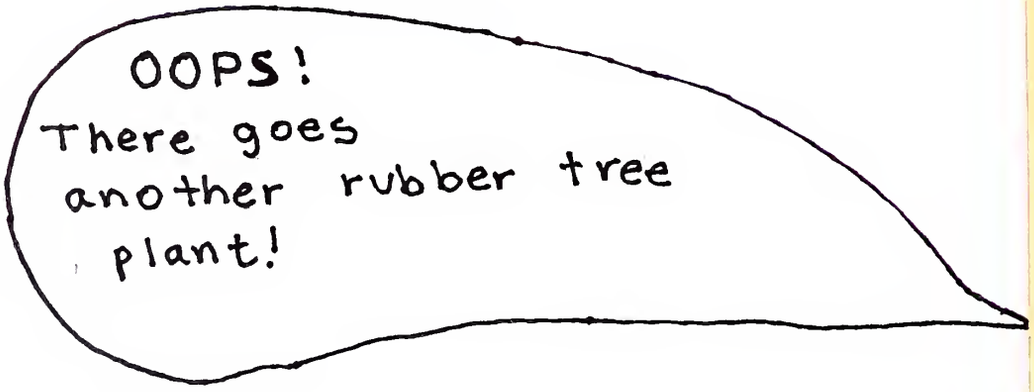
Thank you to my family and friends who have supported me in this endeavor. To God be the glory.

CaTresa Hines

Here's to my family that will always support me; my Sam who will be there for richer or poorer, for better or worse, 'till death do us part; my Mom and Dad who will always believe in me; my best friends that are there when I need them most; my new friends that helped me to create new memories; the prayers and support of those who knew me best; and above all to my God who continues to order my steps. We did it!!!

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and He shall bring it to pass."
Psalms 37:5

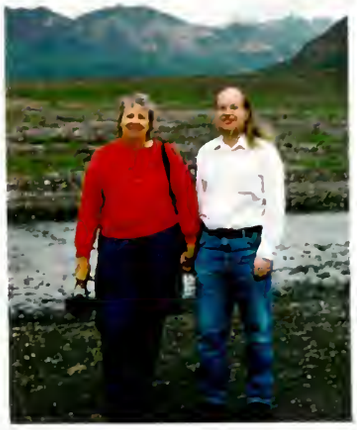
Diane Hrdina



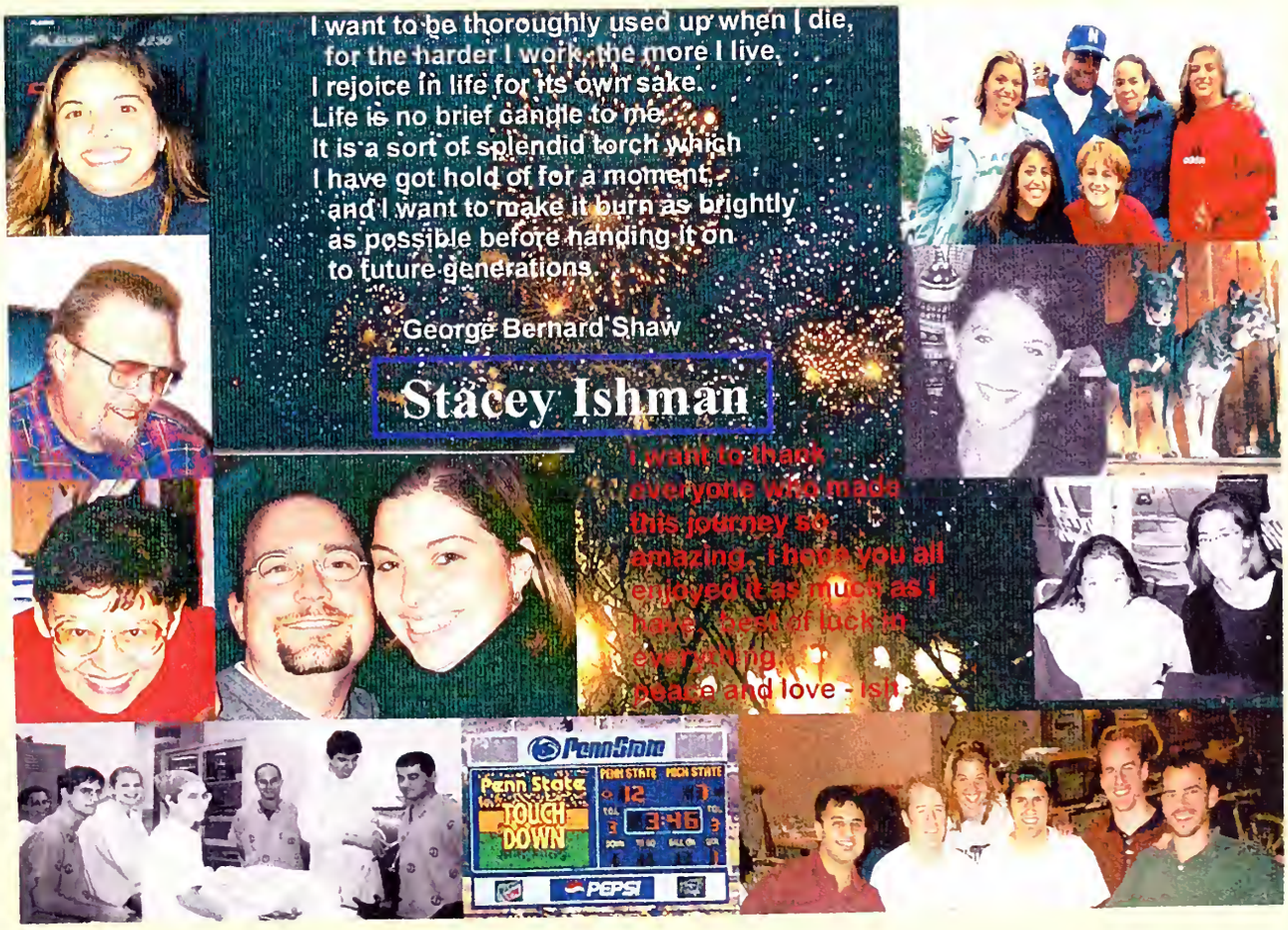
Joseph Ihm

Eagle Harbor Inn in Ephraim, WI, is a place Jen and I discovered while I was in medical school. It became a favorite place to go and escape.

Dad and I



Mom and her significant other, Ken



I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.
PSALMS 34: 1-3

Lisa C. Jackson

Jyotir Jani

"ONE OF THE GREATEST LESSONS I HAVE LEARNT IN MY LIFE IS TO PAY AS MUCH ATTENTION TO THE MEANS OF WORK AS TO ITS END... AND IT APPEARS TO ME THAT ALL THE SECRET OF SUCCESS IS THERE..."

"PERSEVERANCE - A JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND STEPS BEGINS WITH A SINGLE STEP."

"FOCUS - OBSTACLES ARE THOSE FRIGHTFUL THINGS YOU SEE WHEN YOU TAKE YOUR EYES OFF YOUR GOALS."

GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE!
I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST!

Varun Jhaveri

Dear Mom and Dad —

Do you remember me finishing my first marathon when I was 16, with 5 seconds to spare before they closed the course? Well, thanks to you, growing up I never thought anything was impossible. I hope you're as proud of me as I am of you.

Love, Varun

Keith, Pete, and Jim —

Of all the friends I've made at Rush, my 3 roommates will always stand out as the best. I've probably never laughed or complained as much as I have the last four years, so thanks for helping me make it through!

Dimitra Kanaloupitis

TO: the brightest doctors that will ever be...!!! :)

A little bit of "Santorini" for all of you, for a taste of the beautiful Aegean summer!!

Fight this one battle...
You cannot truly live until you dare to reach to the depth of your soul...
You have more strength inside you than you can possibly imagine...

Face the battle...
Fight the "Fight"...
You will have a victory ... that may be called triumphant...
You will have peace ... that may be called everlasting...

ALWAYS REMEMBER WHY WE ALL WENT INTO MEDICINE IN THE FIRST PLACE...!
DON'T LOSE TRACK OF WHAT'S IMPORTANT!!!
May we always remember the times we shared
'c a smile and much LOVE!! :)

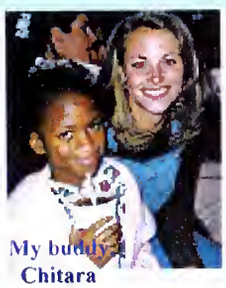
P.S: Your "fun" task will be to find a Greek person (no, not me or Dimitra T.) to translate the following: "Ζήσε, εὐτύχησε, ἀξιοποίησε τά ταλέντα σου!" Σέ ὅλους τούς ἀγαπημένους μου στήν Ἑλλάδα, ΕΥΧΑΡΙΣΤΩ γιά τήν τόση ἀγάπη!

Andrew Kavanaugh-Black

"What is Success?"
by Ralph Waldo Emerson

It is to laugh often and much
To win the respect of intelligent people and
Affection of children. To earn the
appreciation of honest critics and
Endure the betrayal of false friends:
To appreciate beauty, to find
the best in others;
To leave the world a bit better,
whether by a healthy child,
A garden patch or a redeemed
social condition;
To know even one life has breathed easier
because you have lived,
This is to have succeeded.
Remember that what you
possess in the world
will be found on the day of your death
to belong to someone else.
What you **are** will be yours forever!
The **purpose** of life is not to be happy,
It is to be useful, to be honorable;
to be compassionate,
To have it make some difference that you
have lived and lived well.

Lynn Kepple



My buddy-
Chitara

Who could ask for better friends?? You guys made all the difference in the world to me. I'm so happy to have you all in my life! Thank you and congrats!!

My wonderful family, without you I wouldn't be here. Thanks for your continuous support and love!

New Years 2000
A night to remember...

All grown-up!

Greece girls!

Now that's what Tim would call TROUBLE!!

T, you are so very important to me. Lots of amazing memories, and so many more to come...this spring in Europe and best of all together at U of C! You are such a great friend, and I knew it from the very beginning at Moretti's!

Sayeed Khan

TO THE MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN MY LIFE...

MY PARENTS

MY SISTER

CONGRATS CLASS of 2000!

ESPECIALLY RAYESA...

and all my friends!

Naherin Khoshaba

wow, Four years passed by so fast!
I met wonderful people who would
make great physician. I had my two
beautiful girls, Ayla & Edena. My husband
Tony was there for me through it all.
I wish all of you in the class of 2000
The best of luck.

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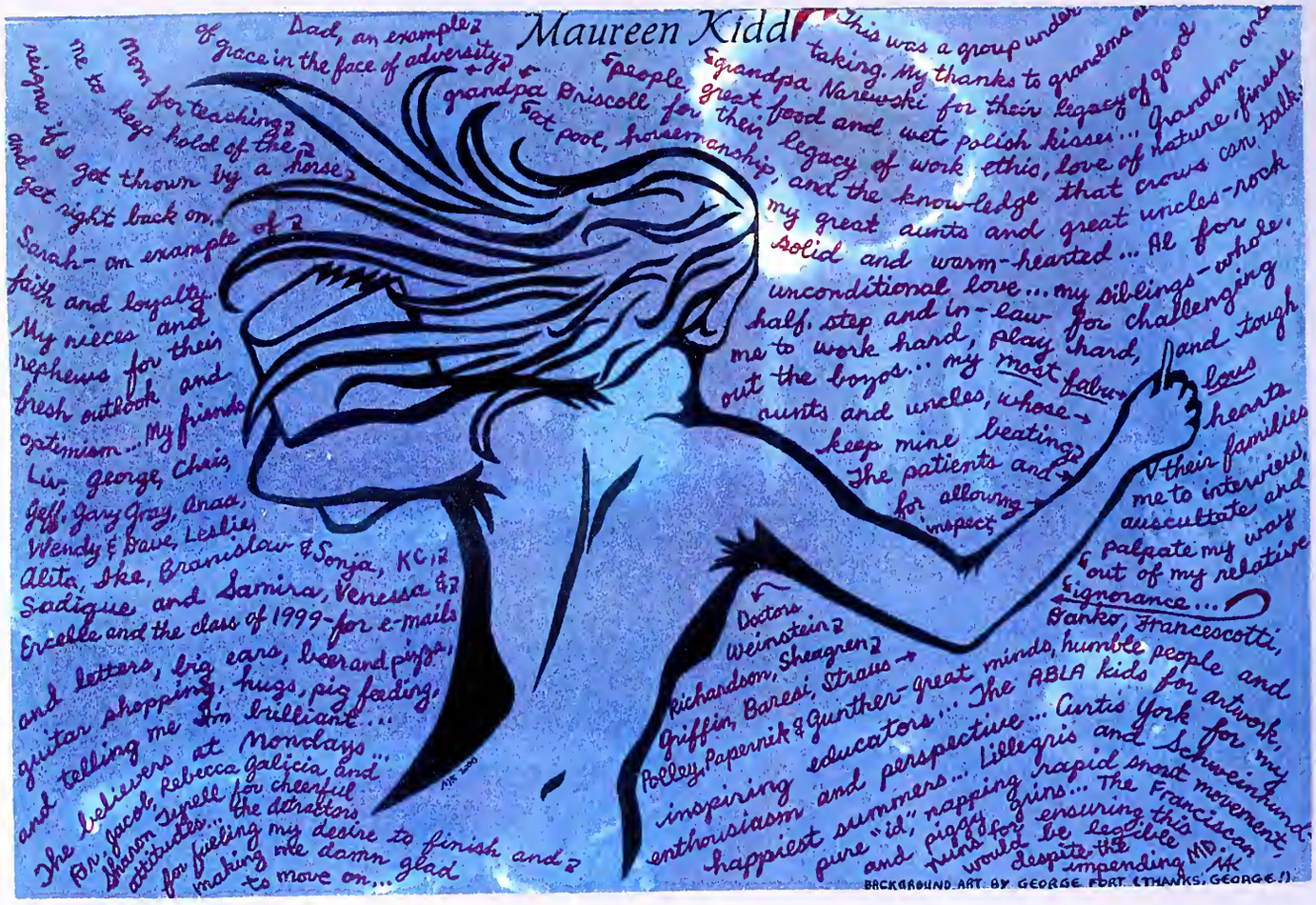

Carol Korzen

Stacey Lamden

Soul of Medicine

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To my parents: words cannot express my gratitud for your eternal support and unconditional love. I am the person I've become because of you.

Simply, Style

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To my friends: thank you for always understanding, and making a long journey much more enjoyable.

To Moe: thanks for keeping my head in the clouds, my feet on the ground, and for never failing to make me laugh.

Be Brilliant

The Life of the Party

sleep

Take this job and LOVE IT

Melissa Carson

To my husband Joe: Thank you for all of your love and support. You have helped me more than you will ever know. Thank you for making me laugh and for not letting me take myself too seriously. I will always love you.

To my family: You have always been there to support and encourage me. Thank you for the freedom to pursue all of my dreams, no matter how far they took me from you. I love you all.

To my fellow classmates: Good luck in all of your future endeavors. Thanks for the memories!

Kelle Ciermann

Ana Lora

Bye, Roomie!

Congrats Class of 2000!

Thanks Mom and Dad. I love you!

Congrats Laura! You'll make it too, Claudia!

I'll miss you, Dorrie!

Rekha, you're the best!

You're awesome, Terry!

Teresa Veith Lynch

To my family and friends who have always surrounded me and offered undying love and support for my every endeavor -- thank you. Thank you especially to my loving parents and my brothers who have taught me so much about life, and who always have those perfect words of comfort or wisdom or humor that each moment requires.

To my husband, Jim, who fills each moment of every day with love, laughter, and strength. There is not enough space on one half page to list the many ways that you inspire and touch me. You are my everything and I thank God every day for blessing my life by bringing us together. I love you.

To my classmates, the class of 2000, I wish you all luck, love, & happiness in your future endeavors.

Rana Mafee

Thanks to all of my loved ones who got me through this & every other chapter in life:

lifelong friends

My Supermom

Daddy dearest

My love, my life

My dear roommate who saw me through the best + worst of times.

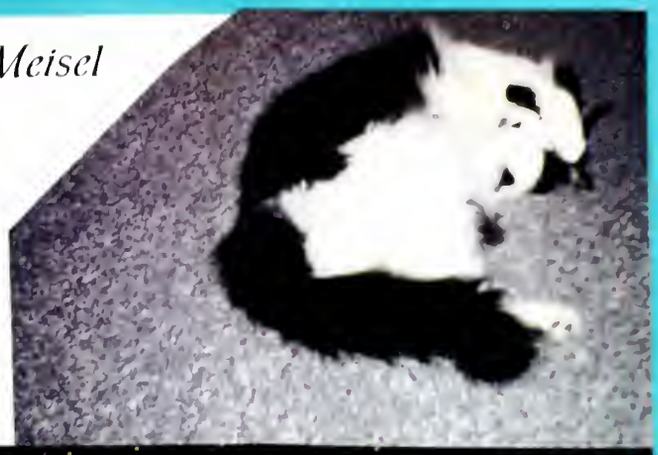
James McLoughlin

You created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

King David
Psalms 139:13-14

Thank you to all my teachers for your input and inspiration.

Ethan Meisel

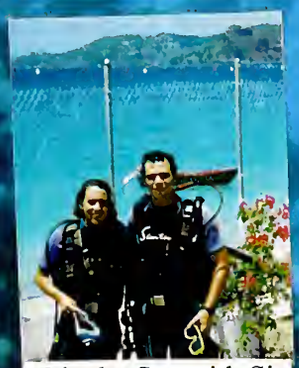


KEITH MINIHANE

The key to life is to treat each day as if it were your last while planning as if you will live forever.
Best wishes to everyone in finding happiness.

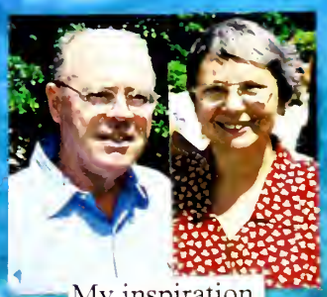
Who are these clowns?

Maui – moist!



Bianka Sea with Sis

My Brotha's



My inspiration

Bradley Novak

"May we all go forth in pursuit of our dreams,
but let us not forget our friends,
for they are the bridges to our past
and the guiding light to our futures"
B. Novak March 16, 2000

Erin O'Brien

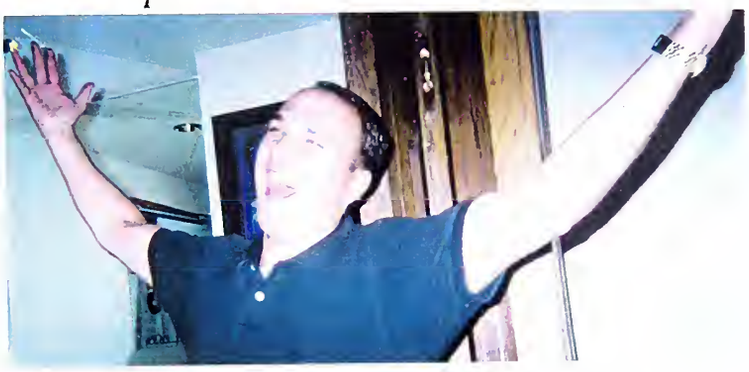
Sean Odell

Procrastination

HARD WORK OFTEN PAYS OFF AFTER TIME, BUT LAZINESS ALWAYS PAYS OFF NOW.

My Father and I on a Medical Missions Trip in Honduras

James Papesch



Congratulations to the Rush class of 2000! Thanks for the memories and the best of luck to all of you in your future careers.

Elena Poloukhine

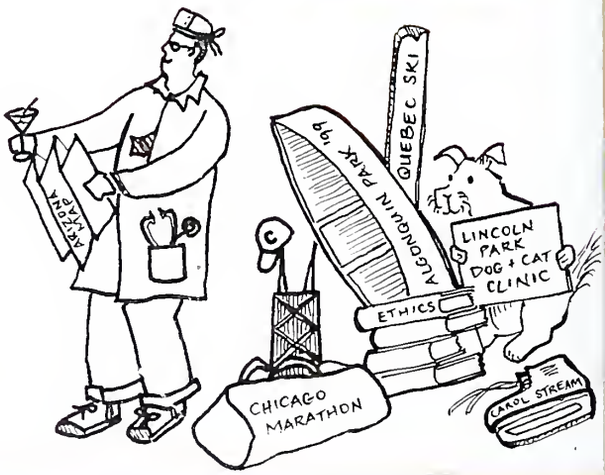
To my parents
To John
To my friends

Thank you for everything

Ernest Poortinga

'Love the earth and sun and the animals. Despise riches. Give alms to everyone who asks. Stand up for the stupid and crazy. Devote your income and labor to others. Hate tyrants. Have patience and indulgence toward the people. Re-examine all you have been told at school or church or any book. Dismiss whatever insults your own soul and your very flesh will be a great poem.'

Walt Whitman



Jonathan Dean Powell

"One must stay sober, not always, but most of the time."--Clarence Day

To laugh is to live and I have lived a thousand times over. If I die tomorrow, know that I die a happy man with no regrets and a smile on my face. To my friends--you will always mean the world to me and you'll always be invited to my "island" Wherever your dreams, jobs, and lives take you, you'll always be close to my heart. Now…smile. Later--JP(46/48 of a Dr.)

Why Med School Was Funny: double gyros burgers w/ bacon(triple beast-meat explosion); Portabello night at the Lakehouse; drunken softball tourneys; water skiing c/o a lifevest; 4am Tues. night gaming; SD w/Jerome; LV w/Kevin;Troy speaking in tongues; meeting people at halftime; Le Doug and his shrimp basket; skydiving; jumping off Bolivian buses; Ms. Pacman at Holiday; metal smokes; things like"Smeve"; medicine-ball;partying at 1034;year of the lamb;E's egg; the Master plan; get yer -uck'd up!; Stoli orange; 2vs2 paintball; London w/da' boys; TGIFs; laughing until it hurt--over and over and over; and oh yeah… Amsterdam.

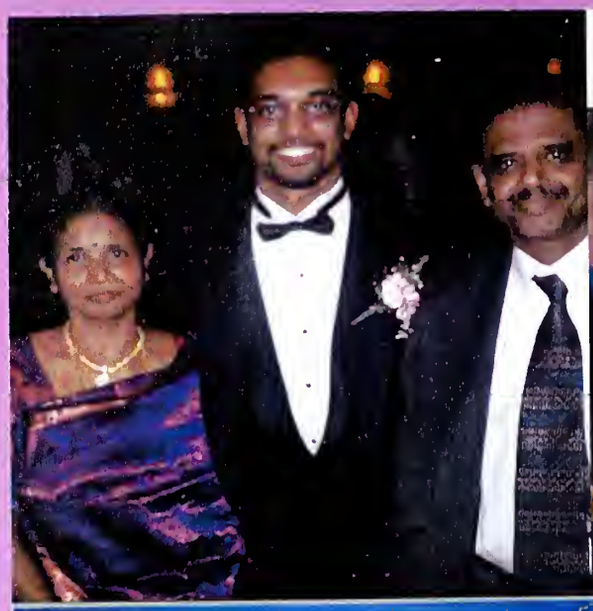
To Ms. Troy: thank you for making me a better person, always being there for me, and for your beautiful twinkling eyes and smile. I'll enjoy spending the rest of time letting you know just how much I love you.

Andy Prechtel

Born: Chicago, IL on July 17th, 1973
Undergraduate: University of Illinois
Married: October 30th, 1999 to Erika Kovacik, a civilian
Specialty: Emergency Medicine
Why I chose Emergency Medicine?

1) Everything else bored me.
2) I am an adrenaline junky
3) Shift work = leave work at work
4) Attendings work 14 shifts a month = 16 days off
5) A residency with minimal call is a dream
6) One page chart = no writers cramp
7) Strong desire to wear scrubs and even stronger hatred of ties
8) Colleagues are cool dudes
9) Youngest specialty and least stuffy
10) Most useful specialty in a post-apocalyptic world

Favorite medical textbook: The House of God. By Samuel Shem
Best thing about Rush: Its students are normal people. Worse thing about Rush: The cost!!!
Biggest accomplishment at Rush: Having a life outside of medical school
In 10 years: I hope to be in a warm climate enjoying life to the fullest.
If I could do it all over again, would I? Depends on when you ask.
A quote that explains the first two years of medical school
"There comes a time when for every addition of knowledge you forget something that you knew before. It is of the highest importance, therefore, not to have useless facts elbowing out the useful ones."
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. British writer, physician, created Sherlock Holmes
A quote that has nothing to do with medical school but everything to do with life
"If you know the enemy and know yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles. If you know yourself but not the enemy, for every victory gained you will also suffer a defeat. If you know neither the enemy nor yourself, you will succumb in every battle." Sun Tzu. Chinese general. The Art of War
In conclusion, Jerry Garcia said it best (however he was not talking about medical school)
"What a long strange trip it's been."



Kasi Ramanathan

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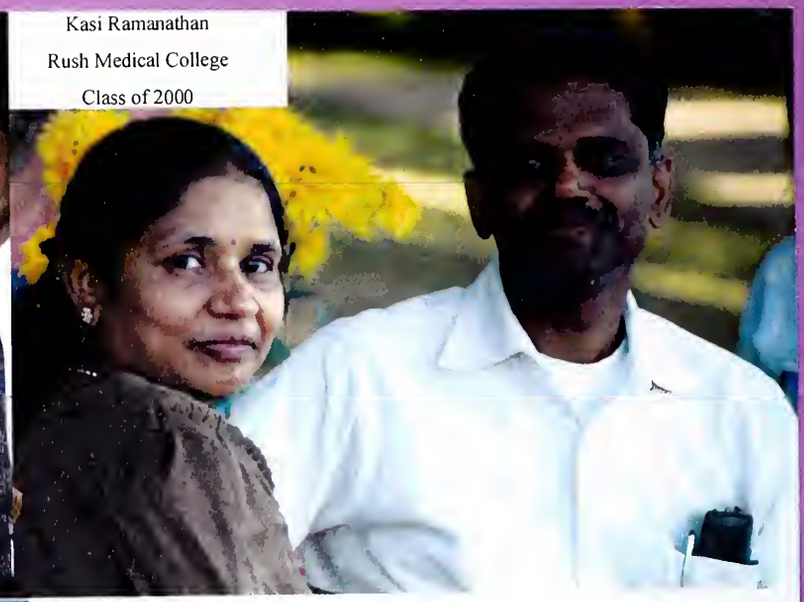


To my parents, whose love and support has enabled me to successfully complete medical school. To the almighty, whose beauty and majesty inspire my life. To Al, Jin, Julian and Jim, the best friends I've ever had and who have made medical school an enjoyable experience rather than an arduous process.

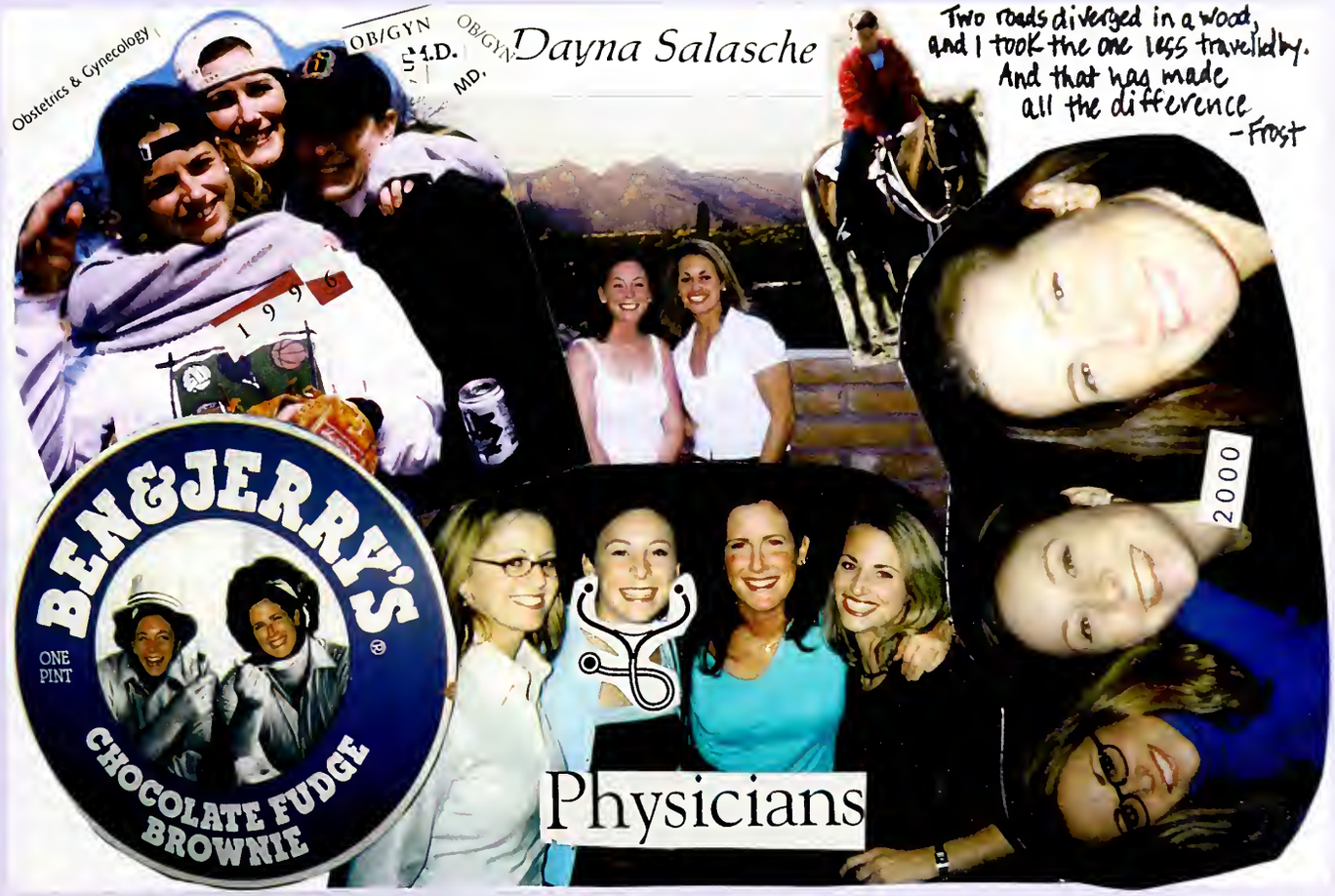
Always remember to breathe....

Joel Robbins

M.D.=Massive Debt

The last four years have been filled with images that will stay sharp in my mind and people who will always be close to my heart. As much as I'd like to take all the credit, *that* goes to those who helped me get here, have supported me throughout it all, and those who helped make this the party it should be. So to all of you. . . . .

(you know who you are and you know why) **Thanks.**
And as always. . .**Go Blue!!!!**



Many thanks to all, especially to my grandparents whose love and support have carried me through my educational years. Mom and Dad, thanks for allowing me to be my own creative and independent self! To my sweetheart Amir- you've added much sunshine to my life and to much more! To my best friends Jereme and Andy, to my dear sisters Pey-Guy, Steph, and Alex- you mean so much to me! To my godmother Germanie, my aunt Magghy, my special friends Rebecca, LaTressa, and Mike who have made med school a pleasant and unforgettable experience-Thanks!!! I dedicate this ½ page to my godfather, the late Ernst Gressau, M.D., who has played a pivotal role in my career choice with his words of inspiration and exemplary life as a caring father and physician.

Melissa Simon

Four Skinny Trees

They are the only ones who understand me. I am the only one who understands them. Four who do not belong here but are here. Four raggedy excuses planted by the city.

Their strength is secret. They send ferocious roots beneath the ground. They grow up and they grow down and grab the earth between their hairy toes and bite the sky. This is how they keep.

Let one forget his reason for being, they'd all droop like tulips in a glass, each with their arms around the other. Keep, keep, keep trees say when I sleep. They teach.

When I am too sad to keep keeping, when I am a tiny thing against so many bricks, then it is I look at trees. When there is nothing left to look at on this street. Four who grew despite concrete. Four who reach and do not forget to reach. Four whose only reason is to be and be.

Douglas Storm

Sakeba Sughayar

Claire Sutton

Our goal can be achieved if we:
Care more than others think is wise.
Risk more than others think is safe.
Dream more than others think is practical.
Expect more than others think is possible.
(Anonymous)

Kari Tannenbaum

Rob & Dad
Fun, and wonderfully
Supportive-

One person gets the M.D.
But I could not have become
A physician without the
Encouragement of my
Friends and Family

Goodbye Chicago-
Hello Ft. Lauderdale!!!

Mom (1972)
Forever beautiful & sweet
Thank you for
Always believing in me &
Never giving up!

Kari →

Sharon (Psy. D.& Best Friend)
Alice, and Ed Berger, M.D. would be so proud!!

Lisa Thompson

Rekha Threja

Thank you to my loving family: Mom , Dad, Seema, Bobby, Raj, Sujata, and Sangita.

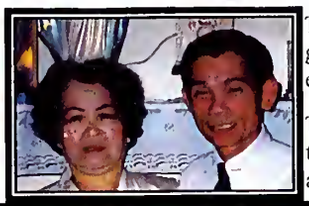
Thank you to my princes and princesses - Ariana, Carissa, Rajan, & Ishan.

Thank you, Terry. You were meant to be the first person I met. Thank you for always being there. Thank you, Ana, for all your support & for being there, too. I love you both.

Dorrie, thanks for always being fun. I'll miss you. Thanks to my Michigan pals for keeping me sane.

Nancy H. Tran

To my clubbing & dinner buddies who refuse to stop being 21...



To mom& dad...you're the greatest and I thank you for everything I have.

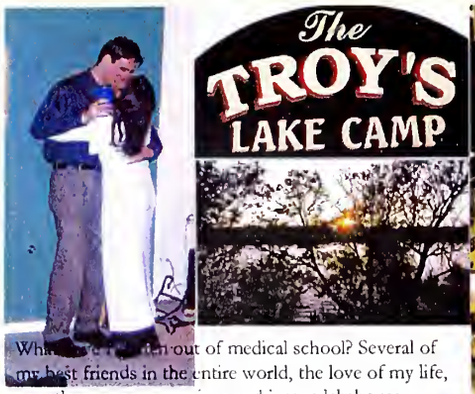
To my sisters who will always treat me like a baby...I will miss all your free cooking.

To my 9 nieces & nephews...please don't grow up too fast.

To my dearest & best friend... thanks for all your love and support, esp. these past several years. I will always love you.

To my Rush buddies whom I will soon call for consults.

To my high school friends whom I will never forget.



Wh[illegible] out of medical school? Several of my best friends in the entire world, the love of my life, countless raucous evenings and insane lakehouse weekends, the greatest sub sandwich and cherry sour after the 10 mile walk from Bob's, 16 weeks worth of travel - and, by the wayside, an amazing education an an M.D. - definitely not a bad way to pass four years. To Lisa, Lynn, Jeremy, Dayna, Kevin, and Jon, for making what is supposed to be the toughest four year of education not only bearable, but downright wonderful. To Sarah, the greatest and most understanding friend and roommate in the universe - you are my touchstone, my vault, and my most favori lounging buddy. It is a rare gem that knows the true value of a Real World/Road Rules marathon and some mac and cheese made with pure butter or a WB Sunday night complete with Diet Dr. Pepper and Frosted Mini Wheats. And to my family, Mom, Dad, Holly, Toby, Pete, Michele, Natalie, and Nina - I [illegible] or jumping up and down. Thanks again for spoiling me rotten. I love you all to pieces (especially you, [illegible]).

TARA TROY

Dimitra Tsatsoulis

Mardi Gras parade at my elementary school in New Orleans, LA. I was a Red Cross Doctor!! :)

Thank you Mom, Dad, Tina, and Peggy for your undying love, support, and faith in me over the years. I could not have accomplished my lifelong dream without you. A special thank you to my close friends who have been like family to me in Chicago. Your love and support have meant a great deal to me and have made all the difference. Thank you to the professors, residents, and attendings at Rush for taking the time to teach me and for giving me ideals of medicine by which to live. You all have helped me believe that dreams do come true.

Congratulations to the Class of 2000.

"He who learns must suffer" Aeschylus
"Tommorrow is a new day, with no mistakes in it" Anne of Green Gables
"There is so much in the world for us to see, if we only had the eyes to see it" Anne of Green Gables

William Dean Wallace

Terri Walton

Thank you family
and friends for
your love
and support.

Kenny,
You're the best!

Patrick,
Forever my inspiration

Class of 2000,
Its been a good four years,
Good Luck and Best Wishes!

Andrew Wang

Nothing taken for granted;
everything received with gratitude;
everything passed on with grace.
-G.K. Chesterfield

To Mom and Dad, for your example, encouragment, and love.

To Brendan, my equivalent of Art Garfunkel

To Ben, an excellent roommate, who can find?

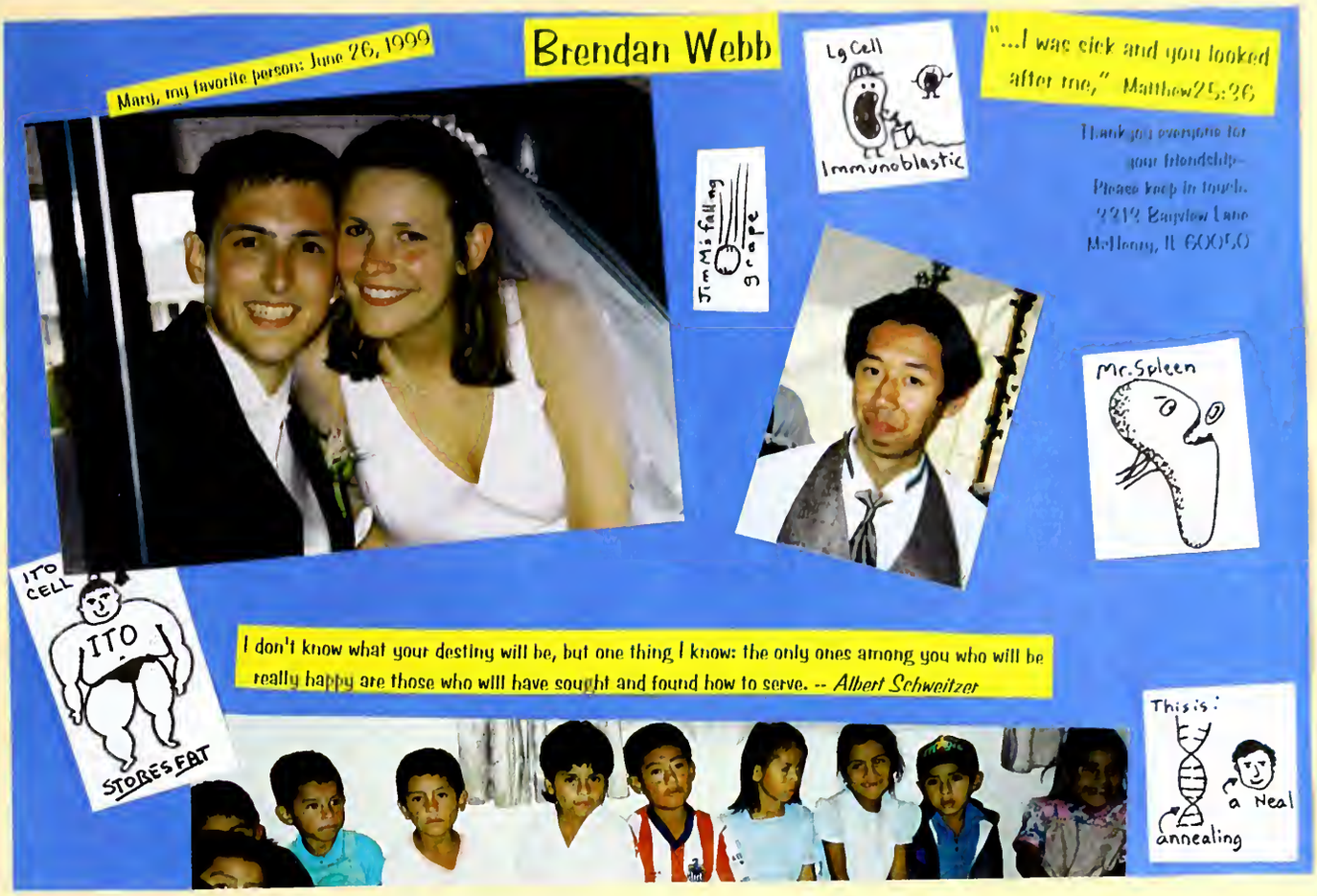
To the AC class, remember the GLUE that binds.

To my CMDS friends, as iron sharpens iron...

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



Gregory White

We hope you have enjoyed the show....
We're sorry but it's time to go....
We'd like to thank you once again....
It's getting very near the end....

- The Beatles, 1967

Michael Wozniak

Walt Disney World, June 1999
About 10 hours before I pop the question.
Joanna's on the far right.

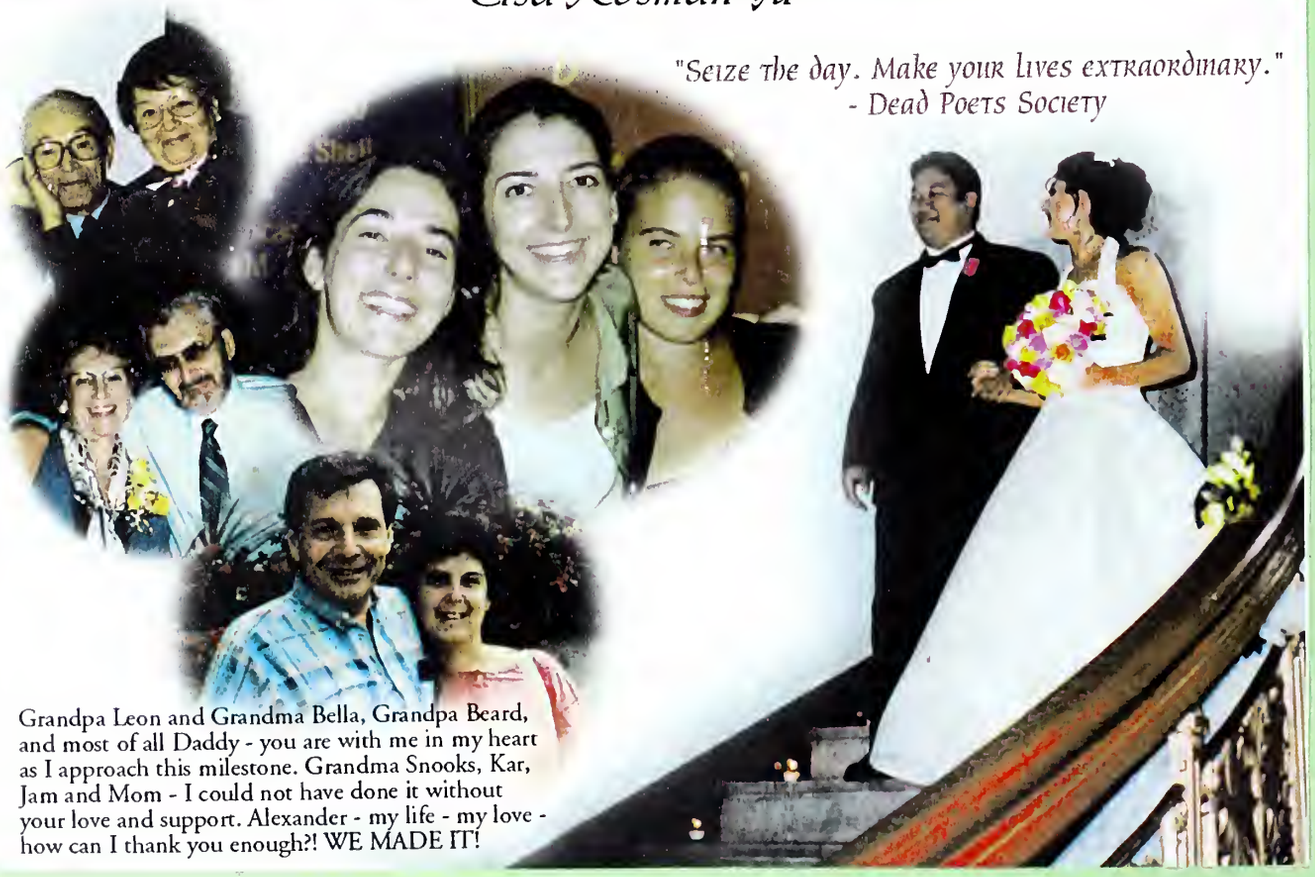
All those who drink of this
remedy will recover...
except those in whom
it does not help,
who will die.
Therefore, it is obvious
that it fails only in
incurable cases.

-Galen

BEST OF LUCK EVERYONE!

Lisa Rosman Yu

"Seize the day. Make your lives extraordinary."
- Dead Poets Society

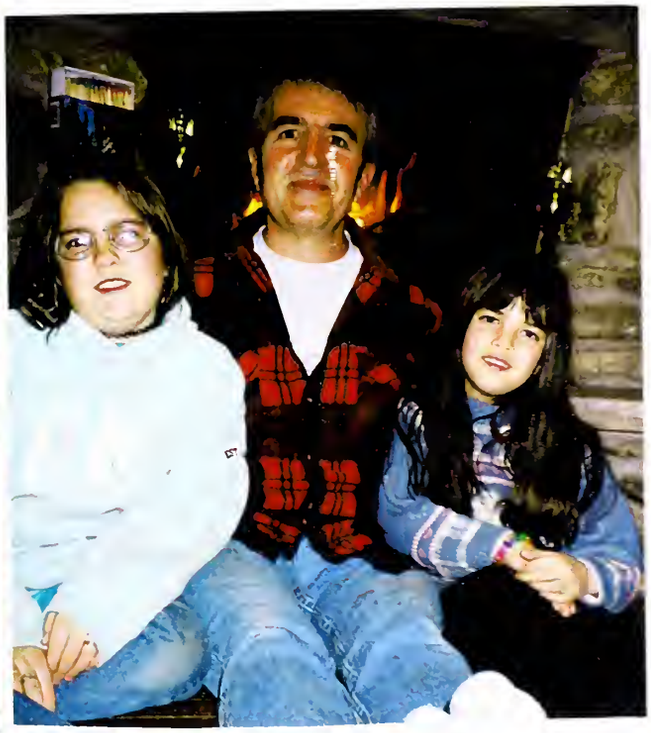


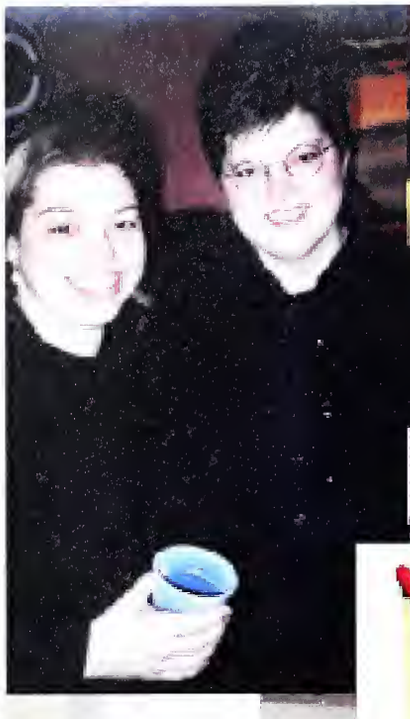
Grandpa Leon and Grandma Bella, Grandpa Beard, and most of all Daddy - you are with me in my heart as I approach this milestone. Grandma Snooks, Kar, Jam and Mom - I could not have done it without your love and support. Alexander - my life - my love - how can I thank you enough?! WE MADE IT!

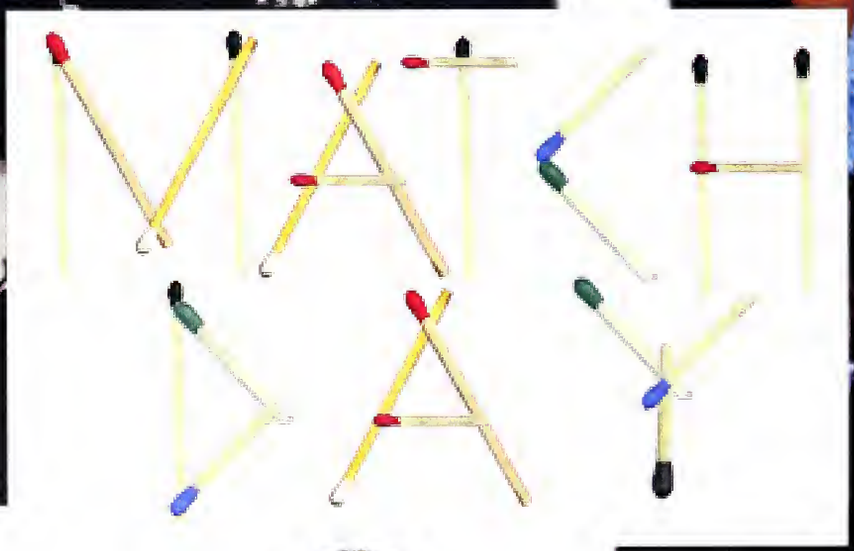
Thank you Jesus for this life. Thanks to my family for their support. Thank you Sarah for your love and commitment to me (and for marrying me). We are going to have a great life together. Thanks to all of the great friends that I've made. Golf (we finally got you to play Julian), tennis, Galena, DQ and other lactose events (don't laugh to hard Kasi), the dog attack, football, personal invites, strong, and wrestling (you are freakishly strong Al), are just some of the memories that I will look back at with laughter. "Here's looking at you kid."

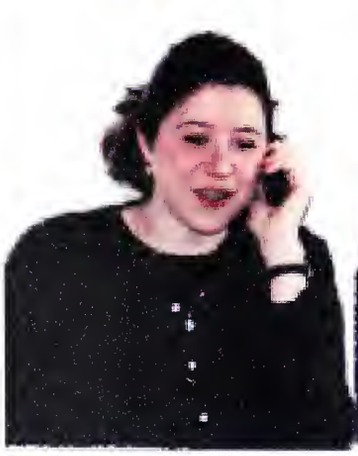
Jin Yuk

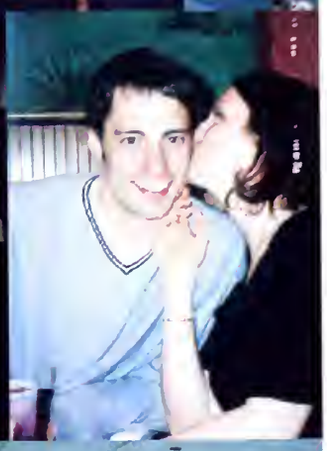
Wendy Zouras











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at two o'clock in the afternoon

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Now that graduation is here, what will become of our class in the future?

Aram Salem, Jon Powell, and Nique Gariti may have slept though most of our M1 and M2 years, but they were resting up for the rigors of their clinical years. Aram will need a little more sleep because he will stroll into graduation late after everyone is hooded.

However, Scott Bailey and Dave Chua will have staked out their seats early to ensure the best seats for the ceremony.

Further into the future:

At home here in Chicago...
Susan Casey Bleasdale will be Dean at Rush (if the medical school still exists). Her work outside of Rush will be compared with that of the next Albert Schweitzer.
John Carey will be the CEO at Rush (possibly Rush-UIC-Cook County Hospitals)
Melissa Simon will have established an inner city program that provides for all the uninsured in the area.

Joel Robbins successful career has a slight glitch when he is caught impersonating the chairman at Northwestern.

Across the country our successes will include...
Stacey Ishman's induction as the Surgeon General
Scott Bailey will have been the first in our class to publish in the New England Journal of Medicine. In a different journal, Keith Minihane will publish an article that concludes that 5-6 drinks per day further increases HDL's. Jim Papesch and Carol Korzen will have contributed as subjects in the study.
Roman Voytsekhovskiy will have raked in the big bucks and retired at 40.

While Wendy Zouras will have found a nitch as the most capable **physician to read unreadable CT scans**, some others have found successful hobbies. Sean Odell will be playing in the **NHL** and Quentin Mattern will be playing in the **IHL**. Andy Wang will become the next **medical student on "ER"**.

Far in the future...

Many of us will look back and sorely miss some of the best people we did rotations with. Alan Abando, Jeremy Rochester, and Michael Wozniak will be missed the most. However, Brett Barnhart, Cecile Becker, Lynn Belsky, Kevin Brumund, Anita Chandrathil, Kendall Dupree, Katie Ender, Nique Gariti, Varun Jhaveri, Lynn Kepple, Kelle Liermann, Maria Olson Mallory, Lisa Piccione, Elena Poloukhine, Jeremy Rochester, Doug Storm, Sakeba Issa, Claire Sutton, Lisa Thompson, Rekha Threja, Tara Troy, Terry Veith Lynch, and any M3 will also be thought of by some as the best people with whom to do rotations.

Yearbook Committee

Carla

Susan

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Aaron

"What **is** Kasi doing for the yearbook?"

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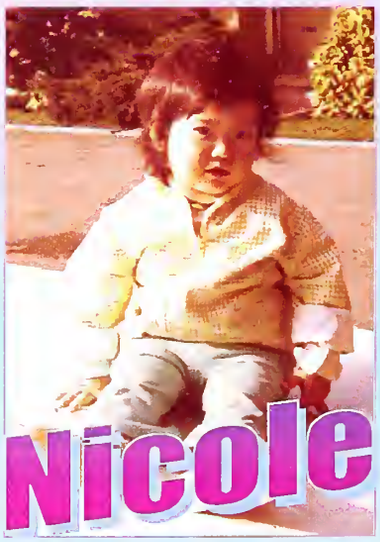
Maureen

Stacey L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